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1	MARCH 16, 2011	1	another about how many times you've worked for me on
2	(Open court, Defendant present, Jury	2	capital murder defense cases?
3	present)	3	A. I don't know.
4	THE COURT: It is March the 16th, 2011 at	4	Q. Okay.
5	9:00 a.m. Is the Defense and the State ready to go	5	A. I don't think we've ever worked on a case
6	forward?	6	that's gone to trial before.
7	MR. BOURQUE: Yes, sir.	7	Q. Yeah, okay. That sounds about right.
8	MS. CAMERON: State's ready, Your Honor.	8	In the field of mitigation can you tell
9	THE COURT: All right. Mr. Bourque.	9	the jury kind of what you do in the field of mitigation
10	MR. BOURQUE: Thank you, Judge. We'd call	10	in capital defense cases?
11	Gina Vitale.	11	A. The role of a mitigation specialist is to put
12	THE COURT: All right.	12	together a comprehensive biopsychosocial history of the
13	(Witness sworn)	13	client so it's looking at every aspect of the client
14		14	and his family's history, the genetics, the psychology,
15	GINA VITALE,	15	the living arrangements, the education, sort of you
16	having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:	16	name it. And that involves everything from
17	DIRECT EXAMINATION	17	interviewing the client and their family to
18	BY MR. BOURQUE:	18	interviewing any professionals that may have been in
19	Q. Ms. Vitale, would you state your full name for	19	contact with the family over their life span, whether
20	the record, please?	20	it be social workers, medical doctors, neighbors,
21	A. My name is Gina Vitale.	21	teachers. It's my job to be nosy and I'll talk to
22	Q. If you would, would you just tell the jury a	22	anybody that will talk to me.
23	little bit about who you are and how you're involved in	23	Q. Would it be fair to say that it would be fair
24	this case.	24	to title you sort of as a mitigation investigator? A. Yes.
25	A. I'm the mitigation specialist working on	25	10
1	Travis' case.	1	Q. They're all kind of investigators. You hear
2	Q. And do you work independently?	2	about private eyes and things like that. You don't
3	A. I do. I'm appointed I work independently	3	tote a gun and go look for witnesses at crime scenes.
4	but I'm appointed by various State and Federal Courts	4	A. No, I certainly don't.
5	to assist the Defense in representation of clients.	5	Q. Your job is to find a history, what happened,
6	Q. Are you a lawyer?	6	who is this boy sort of thing.
7	A. No, I'm not.	7	A. Correct.
8	Q. Tell us a little bit about your educational and	8	Q. Or who is this woman.
9	work experience.	9	A. Exactly.
10	A. I have a Bachelor's Degree from Tulane	10	Q. And can you tell when was it that you became
11	University in Psychology and a Master's Degree in	11	involved in this case if you can track it to a date
12	Social Work from the University of Houston. I've	12	certain?
13	worked as a social worker in both hospitals and	13	A. Not a specific date but I believe it was
14	residential treatment facilities and also I did work	14	sometime in 2009.
15	quite a bit of work before that as a residential	15	Q. Okay. And you recall that you replaced someone
16	counselor and psychiatric technician.	16	else?
17	Q. All right. Now, how long have you known me?	17	A. That's correct.
18	A. I've probably known you almost ten years.	18	Q. So, you came in sometime in 2009. What's the
19	Q. Okay. And would you say how many capital	19	first thing you began to do?
20	murders have you worked on?	20	A. The first thing is I did review the file of the
21	A. I've probably been appointed in upwards of 40.	21	other investigator mitigation specialist since that
22	Not all of those go to trial. There's a variety of	22	was in existence and then the next thing to do was to
23	different results in those case but I've probably been	23	go interview the client and start gathering information
24	appointed on about that many.	24	from him.
			Q. Now, to be a mitigation investigator do you

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1	have to be on some approved list?	1	MR. MCCLELLAN: I object to relevance. We
2	A. No.	2	have the records. I object to relevance.
3	Q. But it has to be something that you're	3	MR. BOURQUE: I'll help, Judge.
4	interested in?	4	THE COURT: Okay.
5	A. Absolutely.	5	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Some of the records are easier
6	Q. Do you find it rewarding?	6	to find than others, right?
7	A. Ido.	7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Do you find it challenging?	8	Q. Some people are more cooperative than others?
9	A. Ido.	9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Do you find it difficult?	10	Q. Sheppard Pratt was cooperative.
11	A. Yes.	11	A. Yes. I believe those actually came prior to me
12	Q. Did you find all three of those in this case?	12	being appointed on the case.
13	A. Very much so.	13	Q. You started looking for additional records.
14	Q. When you're aware that there were a number	14	A. Correct.
15	of records that we began to look for.	15	Q. And eventually you started trying to find
16	A. Correct.	16	family members.
17	Q. You're familiar are you familiar with the	17	A. Yes.
18	Sheppard Pratt-Jefferson School?	18	Q. Trying to find
19	A. Yes.	19	MR. MCCLELLAN: Your Honor, I would object
20	Q. Can you tell the ladies and gentlemen of the	20	to the leading. I have no problem with some leeway,
21	jury how many pages of documents we had out of Sheppard	21	but
22	Pratt?	22	MR. BOURQUE: That's fine, Judge. I agree
23	A. From the Sheppard Pratt-Jefferson School we	23	with him.
24	received somewhere between 3- and 4,000 pages of	24	THE COURT: Okay.
25	records.	25	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) At what point were you able to
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2	of his half-sisters and it wasn't until I was able to	2	Witherspoon and being able to visit with her, you were
3	start searching for her with the new last names that I	3	able to open the door to other people to visit with?
4	was learning that I was able to locate her. So, it was	4	A. Yes.
5	a lot of trial and error.	5	Q. Were you able to
6	Q. What state was she located in?	6	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, may I approach the
7	A. North Carolina.	7	witness?
8	Q.' How close is North Carolina to Maryland, for	8	THE COURT: You may.
9	example?	9	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Were you able to locate any
10	A. Not very.	10	photographs of Travis Mullis in his infancy?
11	Q. Just next door, fair statement?	11	A. Yes.
11	A. Oh, North Carolina and Maryland, yes, sir.	12	Q. Show you what's marked as Defendant's 9, 10,
	Q. But quite a distance from the State of Texas.	13	and 11 and take a moment to review those.
13	A. Yes.	14	A. (Reviewing documents)
14	Q. And were you required what assistance did	15	Q. Have you had an opportunity?
15	you try to get from other investigators or mitigation	16	A. Yes.
16	investigators from the North Carolina or Maryland area?	17	Q. Do these photographs fairly and accurately
17	A. We were working with an attorney in the North	18	depict although you didn't know Travis at that age,
18	Carolina area to try and locate individuals and obtain	19	fair statement?
19	records and I ultimately traveled both to North	20	A. Correct.
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21	Carolina and to Maryland in order to interview folks		a result of meeting family members and friends of the
22	and try and locate individuals.	22	-
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3	11 I think came from a maternal aunt, Denise Devlin.	3	Q. So, that's 9, 10 and 11 are the earliest
4	Q. And those people are here to testify to their	4	known pictures we have of Travis James Mullis?
5	authenticity?	5	A. Yes.
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7	Q. As a result of these photographs, can you tell	7	show you Defendant's 12, Defendant's 13, Defendant's
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11	with the blond hair is Kendra and the woman holding the	11	off. Is that accurate?
12	baby is Sheila Wallace.	12	A. Yes, I have.
13	Q. You have a pointer up there that is sort of a	13	Q. Of course you know now I took those pictures,
14	laser and you may be able to activate that.	14	correct?
15	Can you tell us which one is Kendra?	15	A. Correct.
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17	his mother, Sheila, holding him and this is Kendra	17	Mullis' abdomen the way that it appears today?
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25 1 jury won't be able to see with the light reflecting on as well as the Court in Harford County and an 1 it. That's okay for now. They'll have it in the back. additional attorney there. 2 This is Defendant's Exhibit 14. Again, this is a Q. How hard was it to just find these the easy 3 close-up on a different side of the abdomen. Fair wav? 4 statement? A. It was impossible. I was not able to locate 5 5 A. Yes, it is. and obtain these records myself through the normal 6 6 7 Q. Then it looks like we have Defendant's Exhibit 7 chain. 19 and it looks as if we've got a scarred area on his Q. Was there anything you found in the records you 8 wanted to point out to the jury? 9 body and this is on his chest; is that correct? 9 10 A. That's correct. A. Yes. 10 Q. And, of course, Dr. Mendel will speak to these. Q. Let me show you what's marked as Defendant's 11 11 A. Dr. Katz. Exhibit No. 23A and 23B. Do you recognize those? 12 12 13 Q. That's what I meant, Dr. Katz will talk about 13 it. So, that takes us to some of the records that Q. Okay. Now, these are just parts -- they're 14 15 we're going to be talking about. Is that a fair 15 parts of these records? statement? A. That's correct. 16 16 A. Yes. MR. BOURQUE: Judge, I would offer at this 17 17 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, is it okay if I kind time 23, 23A and 23B and tender those to the State for 18 18 19 of -- I'm kind of in need of these up here. Is that 19 them to review. okay? MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection. 20 20 THE COURT: That's fine. THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit No. 23, 21 21 22 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) As part of your records 23A and 23B are admitted. 22 collection in this case, what did you find important as 23 23 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) What did you find out in the you're going through it? adoption records, generally speaking? Like when was 24 24 25 A. There were a number of different records that the adoption? 25 24 26 were collected from a number of different agencies and A. The adoption was initiated immediately after 1 with any set of records some bits of those are the death of Sheila Wallace which was in July of 1987 2 2 important and some are less so. and then, if memory serves, it wasn't officially 3 3 granted until December in 1989 which would have been Q. And how did you decide what was going to be 4 4 important and what wasn't going to be important? two years later. 5 A. Well, what I tried to pick out were the records Q. All right. In our search were we able to find 6 6 from the larger set that would give someone a clearer where there was ever a social study that was done 7 7 before Travis was adopted by the Mullis family? picture of Travis and his life in context of what circumstances he was in at various times during his 9 A. No. In fact it's what's missing from these 9 records or what isn't in these records that is the most life. 10 10 Q. All right. Let me show you Defendant's Exhibit significance which is that lack of any sort of 11 No. 23. Do you recognize that as a certified copy of investigation into the adoptive family. 12 12 the court records that were received from Harford Q. Is there any indication, which is standard --13 13 County Circuit Court? is there any indication that Travis Mullis had a lawyer 14 14 A. Yes. assigned to him in his infancy to protect his rights 15 15 before the adoption took place? 16 Q. And why did you see -- why did you feel that 16 A. There's no indication of that. the adoption records were important, if they were? 17 17 O. So, he didn't have an ad litem for him? A. These records are the documentation of the 18 18 A. Not that I can see in these records, no. beginning of Travis' life with his adoptive family and 19 19 there's some background information in here I think is O. Now, when we look at 23A, I see where you've 20 20 highlighted a paragraph if I can pull that up or back important. 21 21

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-- there's a location down here -- you have highlighted

something for the jury and would you read that to the

A. "The natural father of the child is Bobby Ray

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Q. What was required for us to find these records,

A. These records were only accessible with some

intervention from the Court, I believe the Court here

if you can tell the ladies and gentlemen?

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1	Wellings whose ground whose have a second to the		29
1	Wallace whose present whereabouts are unknown to the	1	Lee Wallace.
2	petitioner. The natural father of the child has	2	Q. Okay. And it includes a toxicology report?
3	willfully neglected and refused to supply adequate	3	A. It does.
4	support, maintenance and medical care for the child and	4	Q. You gathered that as part of your workup in
5	has made no effort of any sort to communicate with the	5	preparing for this case?
6	minor child or provide for the well-being of the child	6	A. I did.
7	since it was born."	7	Q. And a copy has been provided to the State
8	Q. Do you know the date of this document?	8	previously?
9	A. The date of this document is January 20th,	9	A. Yes, it has.
10	1989.	10	MR. BOURQUE: I'm offering 24A as well,
111	Q. Now and then that last sentence on the first	11	Judge.
12	page?	12	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection.
13	A. "The child resided exclusively with Sheila D.	13	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 24 and 24
14	Goodson until her death in July of 1987."	14	are admitted.
15	Q. These are judicial findings that are made by a	15	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Okay. We're talking about
16	court at the time of the adoption.	16	the autopsy report of who?
17	A. That's correct.	17	A. Of Sheila Wallace.
18	Q. And what is it on the second page of this	18	Q. Who is Sheila Wallace?
19	document that you want to point out to the jury?	19	A. She is Travis' biological mother, the woman in
20	A. It reads: "That upon the minor child being	20	the picture we saw over there.
21	placed in the custody of the Plaintiffs herein, the	21	Q. And in the autopsy report that we have, you
22	child was severely anemic and required medical	22	found something that you wanted to show to the jury; is
23	attention which the child had not previously received."	23	that correct?
24	Q. Then out of 23B there's a notation, first of	24	A. Yes.
25	all Defendant's Exhibit No. 23B there's a cost slip	25	MR. BOURQUE: May I approach the ELMO,
1	that you have highlighted for the jury that indicates		Judge.
2	what?	1 2	THE COURT: You may.
3	A. I believe that's the filing cost that the	3	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Now, you're not a physician
4	Mullis' paid.	4	and you're not telling me what any of this means.
5	Q. That's \$90?	5	A. No, I'm not a physician.
6	A. Correct.	6	Q. And in 24A it looks like you have found some
7	Q. You have Defendant's Exhibit No. 23	7	information there you wanted to share with the jury.
8	A. Yes.	8	A. Yes. This is a narrative summary of the
9	Q folder and we're going to place 23A and 23B	9	autopsy and it states: "Physical examination shows
10	in the 23 folder. Okay?	10	marked obesity, peripheral edema and marks of bed
11	A. Okay.	11	springs on her right side. There are numerous apparent
12	Q. So but so the jury's clear, all those	12	cigarette burns in her nightgown."
13	records in Defendant's Exhibit No. 23 are going to	13	Q. And this is from her autopsy?
14	include 23A and 23B, just not the highlighted portions	14	A. Yes.
15	on Defendant's 23?	15	Q. And, again, 24A would be included in the folder
16	A. Correct.	16	of Defendant's Exhibit No. 24?
17	Q. And then 23A is just a highlighted portion that	17	A. Correct. It's the last page.
18	you wanted to point to the jury?	18	Q. Okay. If you would, would you just read the
19	A. Yes, that's right.	19	first paragraph for the jury which talks about external
20	Q. And the same with 23B?	20	descriptions; scars, tattooing, clothing, property and
21	A. Yes.	21	jewelry?
22	Q. Okay. And can you identify Defendant's Exhibit	22	A. "This is the body of a morbidly obese woman
23	No. 24?	23	dressed in a pink nylon gown and nylon panties. The
24	A. These are the autopsy records which were	24	gown has numerous holes in it. The skin is without
25	obtained from North Carolina Vital Records for Sheila	25	scars. Several ulcerations are present under the left

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1	breast and on the right arm and leg. There are	1	Counseling Exhibit No. 25. With those I'll offer 25A,	
2	impressions resembling chicken wire on the right	2	25B, 25C, D, E, F and G.	
3	shoulder, hip and thigh. The abdomen is distended with	3	MR. MCCLELLAN: Can I take the witness on	
4	multiple stria and induration of skin. The left breast	4	voir dire briefly concerning the subset exhibits?	
5	and inner thigh are also indurated with stria. The	5	THE COURT: You may.	
6	skin of the face and chest contain multiple small scars	6	MR. MCCLELLAN: May I approach the	
7	consistent with acne. The skin of the feet is dry with	7	witness?	
8	thick calluses on the heels. The fingertips are	8	THE COURT: You may.	
9	discolored. The external genitalia are those of a	9	VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION	
10	normally developed female. There is a sanitary napkin	10	BY MR. MCCLELLAN:	
11	present; however, no discharge is noted. There is no	11	Q. Defendant's Exhibits 25A through 25F. Now,	
12	evidence of trauma. There is diffuse edema of the face	12	these are counseling records of whom?	
13	with marked paraorbital and conjunctival edema. No	13	A. Travis Mullis.	
14	teeth are present."	14	Q. Okay. Doesn't have anything to do with his	
15	Q. Let me show you what is marked as Defendant's	15	parents?	
16	Exhibit before we do that, on Defendant's Exhibit 24	16	A. They're mentioned.	
17	what efforts how hard or tough was it to find those	17	Q. But these are are these notes made by the	
18	records?	18	person who was doing the counseling?	
19	MR. MCCLELLAN: Your Honor	19	A. Yes. Travis Mullis was the patient and those	
20	MR. BOURQUE: I'll rephrase it.	20	records were made by his therapist.	
21	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) What did you do to try to get	21	MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection, Your	
22	those records?	22	Honor.	
23	A. I contacted the North Carolina Vital Records	23	THE COURT: All right. Defendant's	
24	Office to obtain the death certificate of Sheila	24	Exhibit 25 and 25A through G are admitted.	
25	Wallace. Once I obtained the death certificate it was	25	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Did you find some documents	
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1	noted that an autopsy had been completed and I was able	1	obviously you found some documents you want to share	
2	to contact the North Carolina Vital Records Office,	2	with the jury?	
3	submit some paperwork and a fee and receive those	3	A. Yes.	i
4	records.	4	Q. If we look at 25A, let's talk about that top	
5	Q. Now, let's look at Defendant's Exhibit 25. Can	5	line. What's being reflected there, if you can tell?	
6	you identify Defendant's Exhibit 25?	6	A. It reads: "Some talk of father/angry."	
7	A. Yes.	7	Q. Next one?	
8	Q. What is Defendant's Exhibit 25?	8	A. "Dad" either got or sent. It's hard for me	
9	A. They are written therapy notes from the Bay	9	to read from here "a \$25 money order. Tore up	
10	Counseling Center.	10	card."	
11	Q. Okay. And are these records that you gathered	11	Q. Next line, the third line?	
12	as a result of your mitigation work?	12	A. "Use it to get bike. Need" I believe it's	
13	A. They are.	13	"\$44."	ļ
14	$\overset{ ightharpoonup}{\mathbf{Q}}$. And copies were provided to the state in	14	Q. Next line.	
15	preparation	15	A. "I hate him."	
16	A. Yes, they were.	16	MR. BOURQUE: May I approach?	
17	Q for your testimony?	17	THE COURT: Yes.	
18	A. Yes.	18	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) So, he says in quotations	
19	Q. Did you find things in there that you thought	19	what?	
20	were important for the jury to see?	20	A. "I hate him. Asshole lives in Dundalk.	١
21	A. I did.	21	Dundalk is a city in North Carolina."	1
22	Q. Would it be fair to say some of the writing was	22	Q. Then the next quotation is what?	ľ
23	obviously done by a doctor because you can't read it?	23	A. "Why do people get adopted?"	
	A. Yes.	24	Q. Then under that?	- 1
24	۸. res.	2-7	Q. Then under that:	- 1
24 25	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, let me offer Bay Area	25	A. "Be a lot of abortions if they didn't."	

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1	Q. Those are just notations from the doctor	1	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 26 is
2	A. Correct.	2	admitted.
3	Q then about his interview. Then on 25B.	3	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Now, in Defendant's Exhibi
4	A. Travis says to his therapist, "I wish you were	4	26 you can tell the jury what documents you actually
5	my dad."	5	have here. What's the one on the top page?
6	Q. Then 25C?	6	A. This is the death certificate for Sheila
7	A. It documents that he's resistant to talking	7	Wallace.
8	about his dad.	8	Q. It's a two-page document?
9	Q. 25D?	9	A. It is. It was double-sided.
10	A. Travis tells his therapist, "A lot of people	10	Q. It indicates she died of what?
11	hate me."	11	Congestive heart failure and cardiomegaly.
12	Q. Then 25E?	12	Q. You have an additional document on which is
13	A: Travis discusses feelings associated with Dad.	13	the third page of this exhibit and what is that?
14	"I hate him. I would like to kill him if I could. I	14	A. That's the application for a marriage license
15	will always hate him."	15	for Bobby Ray Wallace and Sheila.
16	Q. This would have been in July of 1998?	16	Q. Okay. And, again, certified copy of that
17	A. Correct.	17	document a certification stamp?
18	Q. How old would Travis have been at that time?	18	A. Yes.
19	A. You're going to make me do the math? He would	19	Q. Then the certificate of live birth of Travis
20	have been 11 or 12.	20	Mullis?
21	Q. Almost 12?	21	A. It is the certificate of live birth documenting
22	A. Yes.	22	the Mullis Ann and Gary Mullis as his parents.
23	Q. I'm sorry. 25F.	23	Q. He wasn't born as Travis James Mullis?
24	A. It documents that he has negative feelings	24	A. No. He was born Travis James Wallace.
25	associated with his dad and then also he's expressed to	25	Q. After an adoption what goes on with a birth
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1	the therapist, "I wish I had a dad."	1	certificate of a child who's been adopted?
2	Q. So, this would have been five years would	2	A. They can have a certificate of birth re-issued
3	have been 19	3	under the name of the adoptive parents.
4	A. 1998.	4	Q. But you have to make an application and the Judge has to sign the order?
5	Q. Defendant's Exhibit 25G. You highlightedA. This is actually at the beginning of his	5	A. That's correct.
6	therapy. We've sort of gone in reverse order. It	7	Q. Let me take you to Defendant's Exhibit 27. Can
7	says, "Travis stated he only needs to be here because	8	you tell the ladies and gentlemen of the jury what
8	he hates his dad."	9	Defendant's Exhibit 27 is?
10	Q. Again those are the Exhibits 25A through G that	10	A. 27 are the medical records from what at the
11	will be included amongst the folder in the folder	11	time was Charlotte Memorial Hospital and they're the
12	which is Defendant's Exhibit 25?	12	records from after the birth of Travis James Wallace.
13	A. Yes.	13	Q. They're NICU records?
14	Q. Is that correct? Okay. Then we show you	14	A. They are.
15	what's marked as Defendant's Exhibit 26. Where did you	15	Q. They're regarding the birth of Travis James
16	get those records?	16	Wallace?
17	A. These came from the North Carolina Department	17	A. The birth and then the hospital course for
18	of Health and Human Services.	18	several months after.
19	Q. These are just documents which corroborated	19	Q. Of course, we know that Travis James Wallace
20	information you gathered over time; is that correct?	20	is
21	A. That's correct.	21	A. Travis Mullis, yes.
22	Q. Did we pull anything out of there that we	22	Q. Let me offer those and we've given a copy to
23	wanted to highlight for the jury?	23	the State for them to see these business records; is
24	A. No, they're self explanatory.	24	that correct?
25	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection.	25	A. That's correct.

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1	MR. BOURQUE: That's Defendant's Exhibit	1	NEC problems?
2	No. 27 and 27 through Defendant's Exhibits 27A	2	A. Correct.
3	through 27EE.	3	Q. And it looks like there's a surgery on the
4	MR.MCLELLAN: I have no objection, Your	4	22nd?
5	Honor.	5	A. Yes.
6	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibits 27 and	6	Q. And then another one on November 13th?
7	27A through 2EE are admitted.	7	A. Yes.
8	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) As to Defendant's Exhibit No.	8	Q. What about the socials on Line 6?
9	27, you did pull a number of those that you would like	9	A. "Mother lives in Kannapolis and visits and
10	the jury to see?	10	calls as frequently as possible. Her medical history
11	A. Yes.	11	is complicated including advanced maternal age, morbid
12	Q. Now, you've highlighted some and you know that	12	obesity, gestational diabetes, pregnancy induced
13	Dr. Katz is coming later?	13	hypertension, COPD with PO264 and recurrent UTIs."
14	A. That's correct.	14	Q. What is UTI?
15	Q: You highlighted some that you want the jury to	15	A. Urinary tract infection.
16	see. Some of those they can see back in the presence	16	Q. Okay. All right. I'm sorry. "She appeared."
17	of the jury room?	17	A. "She appeared appropriate and very desirous of
18	A. Yes.	18	caring for the child at home."
19	Q. And some they can view today?	19	Q. All right. And that's the social history
20	A. Yes.	20	through 27A or Item 6 of 27A.
21	Q. Now, let's go let's look at Defendant's	21	Now, tell me how many surgeries does it
22	Exhibit No. 27A. Did you pull that up on your copy?	22	appear he's had according to this first page on 27A.
23	A. Yes.	23	A. 27A reflects two surgeries.
24	Q. And if you will read to the ladies and	24	Q. Then on 27B read that aloud.
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25	gentlemen of the jury what we're finding in Defendant's	25	A. There's one additional procedure that's
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Q. So, it looks like two days later we're having

parent/infant bonding due to prolonged hospitalization

- of TJ and mom's inability to visit frequently" --
- 3 parenthesis -- "(out of town)."
- 4 Q. Next.
- A. A nursing goal is given. It states: "During
- 6 visits mom will show appropriate bonding behavior by
- 7 holding TJ close, talking to him, attempting eye to eye
- s contact and by participating in his care. If unable to
- 9 visit will call frequently to inquire about condition."
- 10 Q. Next.
- A. "Interventions: One, encourage mom to visit as
- frequently as possible; two, encourage mom to call if
- unable to visit for condition update; three, call mom,
- 14 as requested, daily at" -- I believe that's 10:00
- 15 o'clock. "Four, during visits provide time alone with
- 16 TJ to promote bonding; five, encourage questions re:
- 17 TJ's care and answer them; six, encourage mom to bring
- several of TJ's toys, clothes, et cetera, from home."
- O. Now, as you were going through these records,
- 20 were you making notes as best you could or following
- 21 the timelines to determine when visits were made and
- 22 when calls were made?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you kind of put together a calendar of
- events that reflects phone calls made by the mother or
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 - by the hospital to the mother and also visits made by
- 2 the mother?
- 3 A. I did.
- Q. Now, tell the ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
- 5 according to these records, how many days he was in the
- 6 hospital after his birth?
- A. He was hospitalized for 71 days.
- 8 Q. In those 71 days from his birth, how many
- 9 actual visits did Mom make to the hospital?
- 10 A. Ten.
- Q. Out of the ten visits -- that's ten visits to
- 12 the hospital, right?
- A. Correct. That does include while she was in
- 14 the hospital as well.
- O. While she's in the hospital, she's visiting the
- 16 child?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. If she's in the hospital for three days, that
- 19 takes up three of the ten visits. Is that what you're
- 20 telling me?
- A. She did not visit even every day when she was
- 22 hospitalized.
- Q. Okay. All right. Now, when we get to the
- 24 phone calls, tell the ladies and gentlemen of the jury
- how you documented phone calls.

- A. I documented any time a call was made, whether
- 2 it was a call made from the neonatal intensive care
- 3 unit to mom or a call received from mom in the neonatal
- 4 intensive care unit, and every call was documented
- s whether or not there was a response on the other end.
- 6 So, when the NICU called mom to give an update, even if
- 7 mom didn't answer, that call is documented in the
- 8 record.

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- Q. So, how many phone calls are made?
 - A. We have phone calls made on 28 of the days.
- O. So, phone calls are being made one way or the
- other. Some were connected, some weren't?
 - A. Correct.
- O. When -- is the child old enough to talk on the
- 15 phone at that point?
 - A. No.
- Q. Would you please set that aside and just remind
- 18 me before we get through the day that we want to do
- 19 something with this?
 - A. Okay.
- Q. And these are the records, 27F -- this is 27F
- and it's reflecting no visits by -- no parental visits,
- 23 no parental contact, etc. That's what 27F reflects; is
- 24 that right?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Again, we've got 27G. You highlighted one, no
- personal contact. Looks like some Cs and some Bs
- 3 attached in that third column from the right?
- A. Yes. That's the form that the nursing staff
- 5 was using to document any calls or visits by the
- 6 parents.
- Q. So, basically when we look at 27F, G, H, those
- 8 are the nursing notes about visits?
- 9 A. Yes.
- Q. Some of the nursing notes about visits.
- 11 A. Correct.
- Q. Now, 27I looks like you've got a notation you
- wanted to share here. What is this saying at 12/1/86.
- A. This is documentation, I believe, by the
- physical therapist on the day of discharge. It says:
- 16 "He's becoming very social with much smiling and some
- 17 cooing. He's appropriate for age in terms of motor
- 18 development. Today he lifted his head while in prone."
- Then it's "Instructed nurse in what to
- tell Mom when she comes this evening in terms ofdevelopmental activities."
- Q. Then in 27J, just tell the ladies and gentlemen of the jury what is 27J documenting?
- A. Documents any teaching that was done with mom and also the skills that mom demonstrated when she's

March 16, 2011 47 49 that right? taking the baby home. 1 A. Yes. Q. Now, up here we've got marked DNA. What does 2 2 Q. All the way through EE? that mean? It obviously doesn't mean the DNA that we 3 3 talked about in court? A. It's actually K. 27K through 27EE. 4 4 Q. So, when we say through 27EE if we start at A. I have three columns. Yes, No and DNA which 5 5 27K, that's 27K, 27 -- whenever the alphabet ends, it means does not apply. 6 Q. So, what do we have about demonstrating starts over again. 7 7 A. Correct. diapering? 8 R A. When asked if mom was able to demonstrate 9 Q. I can complicate things for myself sometimes. 9 diapering, it was checked that it does not apply. And those are the notes that you used to document when 10 10 the phone calls were made or when the visits were made? Q. So, basically what we're seeing here is that 11 11 A. Yes. there was an explanation of a disease process given to 12 12 somebody; is that right? See No. 2? 13 Q. Again, as it reflects we've done previously, 13 A. Yes. we're going to take 27A through 27EE and this time 14 14 we're going to clip them and we're going to include Q. Okay. Then demonstrates bathing the infant so 15 15 those in the folder which has been admitted as 27. she could demonstrate she could bathe the infant. 16 16 A. Correct. A. Yes. 17 17 Q. All right. And then if you can, can you tell Q. Then No. 12 she demonstrated -- she verbalizes 18 18 us what 27A is? an understanding of the frequency, type and amount of 19 19 A. 28? feeding? 20 20 Q. I'm sorry. 28. A. Yes. 21 21 A. 28 is a one-page emergency room report from the 22 Q. Then she documents frequency, type and amount 22 in the comment section. Then the last thing, 14, she Carolinas Medical Center. 23 23 verbalizes the knowledge of formula preparation. Q. And who is that in reference to? 24 24 A. Travis Wallace. A. Yes. 25 25 48 50 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, may I offer 28? Q. All the other things we've got highlighted are 1 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Let me see. Was there do not apply? 2 2 A. Yes. anything in 28 you wanted to include? 3 3 A. It's a one-page document. Q. Then 27K, dated -- there's one dated 10/16/86 4 4 and another one 10/17/86. What's being documented MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection. 5 THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 28 is there? 6 6 A. Again, these are the nursing notes that admitted. 7 7 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Why was Carolinas Medical document the lack of parental contact. 8 8 Q. So, on December the 16th -- I'm sorry -- on Center ER report important to add to the documents in 9 this case or why did you see it as important? October the 16th, whatever shift that is at 2000 hours, 10 10 which would be? 11 A. Again, it documents his fragile medical 11 condition and also he is less than a year old at the 12 A. 10:00 o'clock -- 8:00 o'clock. 12 Q. I can live with either. No parental contact. time yet consent for treatment from the mother is only 13 13 obtained by telephone it records. Unfortunately it A. Correct. 14 14 doesn't state who brought the child to the ER. Q. And then at -- on 10/17 it looks like 0600 15 15 Apparently not the mother. hours? 16 16 Q. Can you read what it is instead of commenting A. Yes. 17 17 Q. You've got no parental contact this shift as on it? That's my fault. 18 18 A. It says: "I, the undersigned, do hereby well. 19 19 voluntarily consent to emergency treatment deemed A. Yes. 20 20 necessary in my physician's judgment" and then there's O. Then there are other notations and these are 21 21 the places where you pulled your summary together. 22 a section for the patient dash parent or guardian's 22 signature. It's documented by the two nurses that it A. Yes, from that chart we saw earlier as well as 23 23

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was phone consent received.

Q. Phone consent would be some kind of consent

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these written records.

Q. So, that's reflected in 27L as in Larry; is

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53 51 received by phone by some responsible party? A. Months, yes. 1 1 Q. Finally there was a court order signed not only A. Correct. 2 2 by this Judge but by a Judge in that state? 3 Q. Is there any indication of who took the baby to the hospital? 4 4 Q. The Judge in this court and a Judge in that 5 A. There's not. 5 state. Q. Is there any indication there was even an adult 6 6 member of the family present when he was at the ER A. In North Carolina, yes. 7 7 according to that? Q. And magically they appeared? R A. Yes. A. According to that, no. 9 9 Q. When did you get these records? Q. Let me show you, if I may, Defendant's Exhibit 10 10 A. Just within the last month. 29. And can you tell me what Defendant's Exhibit 29 11 11 Q. We were actually in voir dire when these showed 12 is? 12 A. These are the records from the Carolinas 13 13 up. A. Yes. Medical Center regarding the treatment of Sheila 14 14 (Counsel conferring privately) Wallace prior to the birth of Travis Wallace. 15 15 Q. And why did we gather these records? 16 MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection. 16 A. To determine what the prenatal course was for THE COURT: All right. Defendant's 17 17 Exhibits 29 and 29A through 29T are admitted. Ms. Wallace. 18 18 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) As we look at Defendant's Q. Do you remember who all we supplied these 19 19 exhibit documents that you pulled out of Defendant's records to? 20 20 Exhibit 29, again we pulled some that go through the A. I believe we supplied them to our experts as 21 21 alphabet to T? well as the State. 22 22 A. Correct. MR. BOURQUE: Judge, we would offer at 23 23 this time Defendant's Exhibit 29 and Defendant's Q. So, it's 29A through 29T? 24 24 A. Correct. 25 Exhibit 29A through 29T. 25 54 Q. And what did you find in 29A that you wanted to Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) And this is documenting 1 1 Sheila Wallace's condition at the time that -- just read to the jury? I think it was 1 through 11, I 2 prior to Travis' birth? 3 believe. 3 A. Yes. It's a list of final diagnoses for Sheila 4 A. Correct. 4 Wallace. Q. So, this is the birth mother? 5 5 Q. Okay. Go ahead. What do you mean a list of A. Yes. 6 6 final diagnoses, if you know what that means? 7 Q. While he's looking at those, we have the 7 A. This is her discharge summary and this is a Carolinas Medical Center records we just introduced? 8 list of all diagnoses that she had at the time of her 9 9 Q. There is another set we got from them. discharge, all of the medical issues. 10 10 Q. This is like after Travis is born and she's A. Correct. 11 11 released? Is that what you're telling me? Q. Did they just volunteer these or what happened 12 12 A. This list was given at the time of this 13 13 for us to get these? A. We were required -- I initially submitted a discharge which was 8/6 of '86; so, Travis had not yet 14 14 been born. He was still in utero at this time. request along with an authorization from Mr. Mullis 15 15 Q. Okay. Go ahead and tell the ladies and allowing me to have -- to obtain these records and I 16 16 gentlemen what you find there. was told the records didn't exist. We were forced to 17 17 A. "Final diagnosis: 1, intrauterine pregnancy go back to the hospital --18 18 approximately 30 weeks gestational age; 2, advanced Q. Hold up. You asked several times for these 19 19 maternal age; 3, morbid obesity; 4, poor obstetrical records? 20 20 history including history of twin gestation A. Correct. 21 21 pregnancy-induced hypertension and premature labor." Q. You submitted the documentation that they asked 22 22 Q. Hypertension, is that like high blood pressure? 23 23 for? A. Yes. A. Correct. 24 24 25 Q. No. 5. Q. And this went on for months?

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- A. "5, gestational diabetes requiring insulin; 6,
- 2 hypertension, probably chronic versus pregnancy
- 3 induced; 7, diffuse pitting edema; 8, rubella negative;
- 4 9, trichomonas vaginitis."
- 5 Q. Do you know what trichomonas is?
- 6 A. That's a sexually transmitted disease.
- **Q.** This is at 30 weeks?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Where is Travis at this particular moment?
- 10 A. He's still in utero.
- 11 Q. Okay. No. 10?
- A. "No. 10, history of urinary tract infections
- this pregnancy; 11, polyhydramnios probably secondary
- 14 to No. 5."
- Q. No. 5 being gestational diabetes?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q: 29B?
- A. Gives the history of her illness, Sheila's
- illness to this date and, again, this is still while
- 20 Travis is in utero.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- A. "36-year-old white female --"
- Q. How about we start with the social history and
- 24 then we'll go back up there?
- A. Okay. "The patient lives at home with her
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 - . husband and three children. Smokes two packs of
- 2 cigarettes per day and drinks 15 to 20 cups of coffee
- 3 per day."
- 4 Q. Okay. Now go back up.
- 5 A. "36-year-old white female transferred from
- 6 Cabarrus County for multiple medical problems including
- 7 advanced maternal age, morbid obesity, poor obstetrical
- 8 history including history of pre-term labor times two
- 9 with twin gestation. The first set of twins was
- 10 remarkable for preterm labor at 35 weeks and pregnancy
- induced hypertension with delivery of live infants of 3
- pounds, 12 ounces and 4 pounds, 3 ounces in 1967."
- Q. This report is being written in 1986; is that
- 14 right?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. This is July 30th, 19 --
- 17 A. '86.
- Q. So, they're referring back to evidently twins
- that were born in 1967?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Now this second set of twins?
- A. "This second set of twins remarkable for
- pre-term labor at approximately 32 to 34 weeks and
- spontaneous vaginal delivery of two live infants,
- weight less than 3 pounds on both with neonatal death

of one twin secondary to meningitis on the second day

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- 2 of life in 1977."
- Q. So, there appears there's a second -- there's
- 4 two sets of twins?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 O. The first set was born in '67?
- A. Yes.
- 8 Q. The second set was born in '77?
- A. Yes.
- Q. How old was Travis when he had his necrotizing
- 11 enterocolitis diagnosis?
- A. Two days old.
- Q. And this birth in 1977 the child dies on the
- 14 second day?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 O. Of meningitis?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. Or secondary to meningitis. Okay. And then
- 19 the last sentence, "In 1985."
- A. "In 1985 the patient has spontaneous second
- 21 trimester abortion at approximately 20 weeks."
- Q. Now, on 29C this looks like August of '96?
- A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. August of '86.
- 25 A. '86, yes.

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- Q. And we're basically about five weeks from
- 2 delivery; is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. He's born September 20th; so, these are notes
- 5 here from August the 5th, 1986.
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you read this to the jury?
- 8 A. "Patient states she had some difficulty with
- 9 measuring insulin correctly and seeing air bubbles due
- 10 to very poor eyesight. States she thinks she can rely
- on daughter and neighbor to help with this.
- Q. Do you know which daughter -- never mind. You
- don't know that. That's from some other witness,
- 14 correct?

- A. Correct.
- 16 Q. What is 29D?
- A. This is a doctor's order asking them to notify
- 18 social services that patient is being discharged so
- 19 that "HHN can visit today."
- Q. Would that be some sort of human health
- 21 services organization?
- A. Home health nurse.
- 23 Q. Then 29C?
- A. Again, a similar order is written, "Social
- s services consult, REHH nurse."

59 61 A. It is not documented in those 12 items that I Q. 29F just reflects that she has no dentures and 1 1 she gums her food? 2 see 2 Q. Okay. But we have records of them clearly in A. Yes. 3 3 the record? Q. Eve does not focus? 4 4 A. Yes. A. It is documented elsewhere, yes. 5 5 Q. 29J? O. So, the second page is reflecting she has 6 6 A. Again, this is a note from the staff eyesight problems? 7 A. That's correct. pulmonologist. It documents Sheila's history and 8 8 condition. It states: "She reports a remote history 9 Q. What does that mean? What does that say? 9 of asthma but was never treated or seen by a doctor for A. "Left eye does not focus. Seems to look to the 10 10 this problem. She wakes up wheezing at night although left periphery at all times." 11 11 Q. And this is about the birth mother? this is not a significant problem. Friends remark that 12 12 A. Correct. 13 she sounds like a quote, unquote 'bear' when she is 13 walking down the hall. And she has dyspnea at Q. And 29G. This looks like July 30th, 1986? 14 14 approximately 25 to 50 feet or several stairs." A. Yes. 15 15 Q. 1200 being about noon? Q. What's dyspnea? 16 16 A. Difficulty breathing. 17 A. Yes. 17 Q. All right. Q. Are these nurse notes? 18 18 A. "She smokes approximately four packs per day A: These are -- yes, nurse's notes reflecting 19 19 for many years." 20 Sheila's condition. 20 Q. Can you read these to the jury? Q. So, this would have been September 10th and how 21 21 many days away from birth are we at this point? A. "There's a thin, milky looking vaginal 22 22 A. Ten days. And you can see the diagnosis of secretions" -- parenthesis -- "(copious). Large amount 23 23 COPD at the bottom there under: "Impressions. Resting of encrusted old cells on heels. Feet need cleaning. 24 24 25 Very jovial and cooperative. Fan at bedside for 25 borderline hypoxia secondary to COPD, obesity." 62 60 patient's comfort. Environmental services called and," Q. Be all right if I highlighted that? 1 A. Certainly. 2 quote, "big bed ordered." Q. (Marking) Then 29K, what does it appear is 3 Q. Big bed ordered? 3 happening here at 29K? A. Yes. 4 4 A. The nurse is requesting a social service Q. I thought that said big red. 5 5 consult. The nurse states: "Social service consult All right. 29H? 6 A. Again, this is nursing notes documenting regarding home situation, Hazel Smith." 7 7 Q. That's -- I'm sorry. Sheila's interaction. It states she's eager to learn R 8 A. Presumably that's the name of the social but gets confused easily. 9 9 worker. 10 Q. This is August 1st of 1986; is that right? 10 Q. Then 29L is pretty much the same, just another A. Yes. 11 11 Q. August 1st of 1986. Where is Travis James set of documents reflecting basically what we have in 12 12 29K. Mullis -- or Wallace? 13 13 A. 29K lists exactly why. A. Still in utero. 14 14 Q. This is 29A. What are these? I'm so sorry. 15 O. Then 29M, 29N, those appear to be care plan 15 summaries. 16 It's 291. What is this? 16 A. 29M is the nursing order for the social service A. These are physician notes from the 17 17 consult. It states: "Morbid obesity and prolonged pulmonologist and it documents -- he states: "He 18 18 sleeping habits, decreased activity level. wonders, though, if it is a good idea to deliver over 19 19 Questionable safe environment for child." the weekend when there's less staff available all 20 20 Q. Which one are you reading from? around." 21 21 Q. What is COPD? 22 A. It's on 29M and 29K. 29K is the highlighted 22 A. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. handwritten version. 23 23 Q. Anything else on 29M? O. When we're looking at 29A, was that reflected 24 24 A. Yes. in there on that 12 -- those 11 items, COPD? 25

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Q. All right. It may be easier to see on 29K. 1

- Will you pull 29M and N back and let's look at 29K.
- A. Says: "Morbid obesity and prolonged sleeping 3
- habits, decreased activity level. Questionable safe 4
- environment for child." Parentheses "(Cannot perform
- routine ADL independently)." 6
- Q. What's an ADL? 7
- A. Activity of daily living. 8
- 9 Q. Okay.
- A. "2: 18-year-old daughter refuses to continue 10
- to, quote, 'be a slave for mom' and has run away,"
- 12 parentheses, "(per patient's mom, Gladys Devlin)."
- Q. Who is Gladys Devlin? 13
- A. Travis Mullis' biological maternal grandmother, 14
- Sheila Wallace's mother. 15
- Q. But she -- at this point she's about to be the 16
- 17 maternal grandmother.
- A. She has been the maternal grandmother it looks 18
- like for about 24 hours at this point. 19
- Q. But then at some point she becomes the adoptive 20
- paternal grandmother; is that right? 21
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. But originally she is the biological maternal 23
- 24 grandmother?
- A. Yes. 25

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- Q. Sheila Wallace's mother? 1
- A. Yes. And No. 3 reports: "Patient's mom has 2
- hostile, angry attitude and shares her views with 3
- Sheila, nurse and nurses on OHRU and NICU."
- Q. Does that mean -- when they say patient's mom, 5
- is that Gladys Devlin? 6
- A. Yes. 7
- Q. No. 4. 8
- A. No. 4: "9-year-old daughter will likely --9
- will probably have the bulk of child rearing
- responsibility." 11
- Q. His 9-year-old sister? 12
- A. Yes, Kendra. 13
- Q. Kendra's here to testify? 14
- A. She is. 15
- Q. Then this is one dated -- 29-O. 16
- A. Yes. 17
- Q. Can you tell me about 29-O? 18
- 19 A. This is back a few days, again, prior to the
- time that Travis was delivered and again these are 20
- nursing notes documenting Sheila's condition and her 21
- interaction with the nurses. It states: "There's no 22
- 23 evidence of smoking by patient but she's begging for
- cigarettes." 24
- Q. Okay. 25

A. "Sleeping, lying on left side, copious amounts

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- of thick, white sputum oozing from mouth." 2
- Q. So, not from her vagina but from her mouth? 3
 - A. Yes. "Awakened and repositioned. Mouth wiped
- with damp cloth."
- Q. This is within 12, 13 days of Travis James
- Wallace Mullis' birth? 7
- A. Yes. 8
- O. 29P? 9
- A. Also a nurse's note reflecting Sheila's 10
- condition. States: "She was asleep at intervals 11
- 12 during the assessment. Thermometer fell out of mouth
- times 4 while taking vital signs due to patient's 13
- somnolence. 02 at" -- and I'm not sure what that 14
- abbreviation is "via nasal cannula. Prongs discolored 15
- 16 with nicotine stains."
 - Q. What are they -- what does that mean?
- 18 A. Nasal cannula is the plastic tubing that takes
 - oxygen from an oxygen tank to the body and it's a thin
- tube with two prongs that fits over your face and the 20
- two prongs go up your nose. So, that's how the air's
- 22 delivered and that's the nasal cannula.
- Q. It's discolored from what? 23
- 24 A. Nicotine stains.
- Q. Go on. 25

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- A. It documents she's refusing coffee. She's 1
- usually constantly demanding coffee. At the bottom it 2
- states: "She was smoking four to five packs a day at 3
- home and now goes into the bathroom to have only about 4
- four per day." In parenthesis it documents: "(There 5
- are 29 packs of cigarettes in her closet.)" 6
- Q. At the hospital? 7
- A. At the hospital. 8
- Q. Do you know how much cigarettes cost back then? 9
- MR. MCCLELLAN: I object to the relevance,
- 10
- 11 Your Honor.
- MR. BOURQUE: I withdraw the question, 12
- Judge. I'm sorry. 13

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- Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) 29Q. 14
 - A. Again a nursing note regarding Sheila's
- interaction with the nurses about eight or nine days 16
- before Travis is born: "She refuses to do fetal 17
- movement count today as yesterday." States: 'It would 18
- take me all day and I can't stay wake long at a time." 19
 - Q. What's she refusing to do, fetal movement?
 - A. Fetal movement count.
- Q. So, this before the birth? 22
 - A. Correct, as a means of monitoring the fetal
- activity. 24
- Q. She's saying she can't stay awake long enough 25

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1	to do that?	1	Second page of 29-T. It states: "OOB to
2	A. That's correct.	2	NICU to visit baby. Sat and cried on and off when baby
3	Q, 29R.	3	cried. Stated: 'I don't want to touch him. I had a
4	A. Again, the nurses describe her condition and	4	twin once that I touched and he died.' She sat with
5	the condition of her room at the hospital five days	5	the baby looking at him for 15 minutes, then returned
6	before Travis was born: "Room has foul odor.	6	to the room stating; 'I feel better now. He's so
7	Encouraged patient to let me help her wash her hair.	7	cute."
8	She voices acquiescence. Soft stool on bathroom floor	8	Q. Is that the mother's discharge summary and the
9	questionably due to patient unable to wipe properly and	9	notes therefrom?
10	questioned if it fell out of gluteal fold when she got	10	A. Yes.
11	in shower."	11	Q. Leading up to the birth of this child?
12	It says something is stained. The first	12	A. That's correct.
13	word I can't read.	13	Q. That the jury knows as Travis Mullis.
14	Q. Looks like linens?	14	A. Yes.
15	A. Looks like linens but I don't know why they	15	Q. And, again, we'll clip 29A through 29T, include
16	would be stained.	16	them among the folder and the papers of Defendant's
17	"Crumbs and trash all over floor. Patient	17	Exhibit 29.
18	is totally dependent on staff for hygiene of	18	THE COURT: Mr. Bourque, this will
19	environment and for assist with hair, feet and perianal	19	probably be a good time for a morning break so we can
20	area. She cannot reach these areas due to obesity."	20	catch a breath here. Ladies and gentlemen, we'll call
21	Q. So, 29S, although it's 29 pages, you have one	21	you back out in 15, 20 minutes. Thank you.
22	page you wanted to read to the jury; is that right?	22	(Recess taken)
23	A. Yes.	23	(Open court, Defendant present, Jury
24	Q. If you could read that, please?	24	present)
25	A. "Patient's mother is at bedside and seems to be	25	THE COURT: Mr. Bourque, you may continue.
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1	hostile/angry at Sheila. Sheila is crying. Encouraged	1	MR. BOURQUE: Thank you very much, Judge.
2	verbalization of feelings of both Sheila and her mom.	2	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Ms. Vitale, Defendant's No.
3	Will write a social services consult due to home	3	30, are those business records from what are those
4	situation and lack of emotional support for Sheila.	4	business records from?
5	Encouraged mom to support Sheila in her attempt to rear	5	A. I believe that's the Edgewood High School
6	child. Lose weight instead of making fun of her.	6	records.
7	Sheila's mom has definite feelings and knowingly and	7	Q. Who's that about? A. Travis Mullis.
8	unknowingly seems to enjoy baiting, nagging and using	8	
9	cruel, digging remarks to Sheila, to me about Sheila,	10	Q. And you brought those records for what reason?A. They reflect his performance at the Edgewood
10	and to NICU nurses that are caring for baby." Q. So, is this we're talking about Gladys	11	High School I believe after his release from the
11	Devlin?	12	Jefferson School.
13	A. Gladys Devlin, yes. "Talked at length with	13	MR. BOURQUE: We're offering Defendant's
14	Sheila about family problems. Will pass on information	14	Exhibit No. 30.
15	to social services. Sheila agrees to walk in hall with	15	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection, Your Honor.
16	me at 2130 after visiting hours are over so that,	16	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 30 is
17	quote, 'no males will be around' to see her ambulate."	17	admitted.
18	Q. 29-T.	18	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Was there anything really
19	A. This is the day of Travis' first surgery and	19	you wanted to show the jury as to Defendant's Exhibit
1	this reports the interaction with mom when she's told	20	No. 30 or you just wanted them to have it?
1 20	and reporte the interestion man mon mon one o told		A. I just wanted them to have it in case they
20	about his illness.	21	A. I just wanted them to have it in case they
21	about his illness. It states: "Patient asked questions and	21	wished to review his educational records.
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21 22 23		22	wished to review his educational records. Q. Defendant's Exhibit No. 31?
21	It states: "Patient asked questions and related that baby boy twins had died 9 years ago in the	22	wished to review his educational records.

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1	Q. And out of those records you pulled Defendant's	1	putting his daddy in jail'; at Ms. Jennings for
2	Exhibit No. 31 and 31A; is that correct?	2	reporting the abuse; and as of late, anger at his
3	A. 31A and 31B.	3	grandmother which I suspect is anger at his mother for
4	Q. What did I say? 31, 31A. So, out of 31 you	4	not being with him more. There have been many losses
5	pulled 31A and 31B?	5	for Travis in the last year and he is trying to adjust
6	A. Correct.	6	to the situation."
7	Q. Whose doctor was Dr. Feldman?	7	Q. So, this would have been in May of 1994?
8	A. Doctor Feldman was Travis Mullis' pediatrician.	8	A. Correct.
9	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, we'd offer	9	Q. And that's looks like it's four days after
10	Defendant's Exhibits 31, 31A and 31B.	10	31A.
11	MR. MCCLELLAN: If I may take the witness	11	A. Yes.
12	on voir dire?	12	Q. Go ahead.
13	THE COURT: You may.	13	A. "Most of his aggression is verbal which shows
14	VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION	14	control. Before the sentencing of his father there
15	BY MR. MCCLELLAN:	15	were statements about the electric chair and jail which
16	Q. Concerning Dr. Feldman's records, was there	16	at times were expressed with tears and frustration at
17	also a Dr. Feldman at Sheppard Pratt or is that a	17	his inability to save his father.
18	different doctor?	18	Q. Whose inability to save his father?
19	A. That's a different doctor.	19	A. Travis'.
20	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection, Your Honor.	20	Q. Travis is frustrated with the inability to save
21	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit No. 31,	21	his father?
22	31A and 31B are admitted.	22	A. Yes.
23	MR. BOURQUE: Thank you.	23	Q. The records we saw previously he hated his
24	Judge, may I publish?	24	father.
25	THE COURT: You may.	25	A. That's correct.
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	DIRECT EXAMINATION (CONT'D.)	1	Q. Okay.A. "Socially he is very immature and he has behavioral problems with other kids. However, until
2	DIRECT EXAMINATION (CONT'D.) BY MR. BOURQUE: Q. As to 31A, what was it that you wanted to read to the jury?	2	Q. Okay. A. "Socially he is very immature and he has behavioral problems with other kids. However, until his formal education began, his exposure to other
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2	case?	2	marked Defendant's Exhibit 32.
3	A. I have not been able to recontact her.	3	A. Correct.
4	Q. And you know that we presently are trying to	4	Q. At this time let me show you what's marked as
5	get her subpoenaed even today?	5	Defendant's Exhibit No. 33 and see if you can identify
6	A. Yes.	6	these records and the authenticity of
		7	A. Yes.
7	Q. In what state?		
8	A. In Maryland.	8	Q. Authenticity affidavit. What is 33?
9	Q. Defendant's Exhibit No. 32. Do you recognize	9	A. 33 are records from the Harford County
10	Defendant's Exhibit No. 32?	10	Department of Social Services.
11	A. I do.	11	Q. Okay. And let me at this time offer you
12	Q. What is Defendant's Exhibit No. 32?	12	didn't pull anything out of 33; is that correct?
13	A. Medical records from the Galveston County Jail.	13	A. That's correct.
14	Q. Did you also pull a couple of sheets out of	14	Q. But tell the ladies and gentlemen of the
15	that that you wanted to highlight for the jury.	15	jury I'm sorry.
16	A. I did.	16	MR. BOURQUE: I'll offer No. 33 at this
17	Q. And that was marked as Defendant's Exhibits 32A	17	time.
18	and 32B?	18	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection.
19	A. Correct.	19	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit No. 33 is
20	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, we would offer the	20	admitted.
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3	would offer Defendant's Exhibit No. 34, which is the	3	occurred. Although information indicates otherwise or
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13	Q. And these are Harford County juvenile	13	assessment reads: "On 6/3/93 Mr. Mullis called DSS."
14	conviction records?	14	Q. Now, who is DSS, if you know?
15	A. Correct.	15	A. The Department of Social Services.
16	Q. And you pulled out of that 35A through 35B; is	16	Q. In
17	that correct?	17	A. In Harford County, Maryland.
18	A. That's correct.	18	Q. Is that what I call CPS here?
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22	36 you pulled Exhibits 36A through 36D; is that	23	Sally Jennings, who had been seeing Travis for about
23	correct?	24	three years told Mr. Mullis to report his behavior,
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- A. Yes.
- 2 Q. This little boy.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 MR. MCCLELLAN: I object to leading, Your
- 5 Honor.

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- 6 THE COURT: Sustained.
- A. "Mr. Mullis said his son asked him to take care
 - of his penis because it hurt. Mr. Mullis at first
- 9 refused and then succumbed." That's the end of that
- 10 first page.
- "Mrs. Mullis was unaware of the abuse. It
- occurred while she was working. Initially, Mrs. Mullis
- was in much conflict over the abuse report and wanted
- to be supportive of son and husband. Worker took out
- 15 ex parte to remove Mr. Mullis from the home."
- Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Now, what does that mean,
- 17 "worker took out ex parte to remove Mr. Mullis from the
- 18 home"?
- A. I believe there were some legal proceedings
- which compelled Mr. Mullis to move out of the house.
- Q. So, the Court had to come in and order him away
- 22 from his son?
- A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- A. "In the process Mr. Mullis was fired from his
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 - job and Mr. and Mrs. Mullis were upset with worker over
- 2 this."
- Q. So, who's upset with the worker?
- 4 A. Both parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mullis.
- s Q. So, they're upset that the Court ordered him
- 6 out of the house.
- MR. MCCLELLAN: I object to leading, Your
- 8 Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Sustained.
- Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) All right. Go ahead.
- A. "Over the next few days Mrs. Mullis' anger grew
- and at present time she has put house up for sale,
- 13 started procedures for separation and divorce and is
- 14 upset over visits between Travis and dad."
- Q. And in parenthesis.
- A. "Ms. Jennings supports continued visitation of
- 17 Travis with dad, feeling it is therapeutically helpful
- 18 for Travis."
- 19 O. Next.
- A. "Travis began therapy with Ms. Jennings about
- 21 three years ago to deal with separation and loss.
- 22 Ms. Jennings started seeing Mr. Mullis sometime in 4/93
- 23 after Travis revealed to her that he and Dad had a
- secret, couldn't tell or daddy would get in trouble.
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- 2 kisses and he blew on son's stomach.
- 3 "In the next session Travis denied abuse.
- 4 Said it was an April Fool's joke. Travis said he was
- 5 afraid he'd be taken away and put in another home. Mr.
- 6 Mullis told Ms. Jennings that when after taking baths,
- 7 TJ crawls into bed with him and that is what stimulated
- s him. Ms. Jennings told Mr. Mullis the behavior had to
- 9 stop. Ms. Jennings spoke to Mrs. Mullis about
- 10 husband's behavior and Mrs. Mullis said husband
- wouldn't do anything out of the way. Ms. Jennings told
- 12 Mrs. Mullis that she needed to be home at night. Mr.
- 13 Mullis was stressed out. Ms. Jennings told worker that
- she and Mr. Mullis decided he should report his
- 15 behavior to DSS."
 - Q. Okay.

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- A. "Mr. Mullis, when talking to worker in initial
- 18 report, said he was very remorseful and disgusted with
- what he had done. Worker had concern over Mr. Mullis'
- 20 mental condition and expressed it to wife,
- 21 Ms. Jennings, and Detective Wheeler. Mr. Mullis denied
- 22 any thoughts of suicide but continually wanted worker
- to assure him that everything would be okay and he
- 24 would not be charged and arrested. Worker continually
- throughout day of 6/3/93 told Mr. Mullis that she
- 1 couldn't give him that assurance he was seeking."
- O. Now, do we have any records that we have for
- 3 the jury regarding Gary Lynn Mullis, birth or death
- 4 certificate or anything?
- 5 A. We do have a -- did obtain a death certificate.
 - O. That's in some other things to come?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Out of 34 it looks like you have two pages on
 - 9 34B?

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- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. If you can read that to the jury.
- A. This is a summary of contacts with the family.
- 13 Says: "TJ is confused, misses his dad. Mrs. Mullis
- 14 tries to discontinue visits with Mr. Mullis. Travis at
- 15 times uncontrollable, throws self on floor."
- Q. So, this would be -- this is about '93?
- 17 A. Yes. June of '93.
 - Q. This will be June of '93?
- 19 A. Yes.

- Q. So, he's almost 7?
- 21 A. 7, yes.
- Q. So, he's throwing himself on the floor?
- A. Correct.
- 24 Q. Next.
- A. "Travis when saw worker said he wanted his dad

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	to some home. Later in visit Mr. Mullis hugged his son	.	you wanted the jury to see out of 35D?
1	to come home. Later in visit Mr. Mullis hugged his son	1	A. There's some
2	and Travis responded to his hug, prolonged hug." Q. Is this before or after this little notation	2	MR. MCCLELLAN: Your Honor, I don't
3	-	3	believe there is a 35D.
4	here, is this before or after Mr. Mullis has	4	MR. LOPER: There may not be.
5	acknowledged his pedophilia?	5	THE WITNESS: 34D.
6	A. This is after.	6	
7	Q. And performing fellatio on his son?	7	MR. MCCLELLAN: Okay. THE COURT: Thank you.
8	A. After.	8	·
9	Q. On 34C it looks like you have some notations	9	MR. BOURQUE: I need all the help I can
10	like a four-page document?	10	get, Judge.
11	A. Correct.	11	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) I'm sorry. Thank you. 34D?A. 34D discusses Travis' progress in therapy.
12	Q. Two pages you lighted some things you wanted to	12	States: "Mrs. Mullis has expressed considerable
13	show the jury.	13	concern about Travis' behavior which is sometimes
14	A. States: "Mrs. Mullis reported that Travis had	14	uncontrollable. Travis has threatened to hurt himself
15	been seeing a therapist for behavioral problems since	15	
16	age 3 but that Mr. Mullis states he started sexually	16	by throwing himself on the floor. Mrs. Mullis believes
17	abusing Travis one and a half years ago."	17	her son may not be ready to relate to his father on a one-on-one basis."
18	Q. So, if Travis is almost 7, am I correct in	18	
19	understanding that Mr. Mullis is saying it only started	19	Q. Now, what time is this? This is still 1993?
20	since he was 5 and a half?	20	Looks like July of '93?
21	A. That's correct.	21	A. Correct. He's not quite 7.
22	Q. But really it goes back four years.	22	Q. Go ahead. "During."
23	A. Correct.	23	A. "During the therapeutic sessions time is set
24	Q. As far as is documented; is that correct?	24	aside for Mr. Mullis to visit with Travis. During
25	A. That's correct.	25	these visits in therapy, Mr. Mullis has been tense and 90
1	Q. Next?	1	not really able to enjoy being with his son. During
2	A. "Mr. Mullis reported he felt terrible about	2	the first therapeutic visit, Travis ran into his
3	what he did to his son but was afraid of going to jail.	3	father's arms. Mr. Mullis apologized to his son for
4	Mr. Mullis was requesting joint custody of Travis."	4	what had occurred, abuse. And Travis told his dad that
5	Q. Is Mr. Mullis at this point in the home or out	5	he was mad and he did not like it, abuse, one bit.
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at first refused, then succumbed. He said that the

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Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Now, as to 35D. What was it

touching stopped around St. Patrick's Day.

"Travis also spoke of his bottom hurting 2

- him to the point where it was hard for him to sit down 3
- at school. He would have gooey gunk put on his bottom 4
- by his parents. He believed it hurt him after a bowel 5
- movement. 6
- "Travis told his therapist, Sally 7
- Jennings, that he had a secret and could not tell 8
- anybody or his daddy would get in trouble. His daddy 9
- kisses his worm. Travis told Ms. Jennings that he 10
- hated his daddy doing this and had told him to stop but 11
- he still did it. Ms. Jennings confronted Mr. Mullis 12
- about the child's revelations and Mr. Mullis said his 13
- son likes kisses and he blows on his son's stomach." 14
- Q. Go ahead. 15
- A. I believe this is just a repeat of something 16
- that's already been read. 17
- 18 Q. Okay. 34F as in Frank, what is this?
- A. This is a letter to the Court from Sally 19
- Jennings. Says: "I have seen Travis Mullis in weekly 20
- psychotherapy since 1993. His visits will be increased 21
- to twice weekly. At present I'm supervising weekly 22
- 30-minute visitations with Travis and his father in my 23
- Austin office. I'm asking to be removed from this duty 24
- as the therapeutic boundaries are being tarnished. I 25
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 - am recommending that the father continue on the
- established visitation schedule." 2
 - Q. So, apparently --
- MR. MCCLELLAN: I object to what he thinks 4
- is apparent, Your Honor. 5
 - Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) So, what's happening here?
- A. Sally Jennings will no longer be -- did not 7
- wish to any longer supervise these visitations but R
- recommends that the visitations do continue. 9
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 - Q. Let's go to, finally, 35. What is it on 35A you saw that you felt you wanted to inform the jury of?
- A. It's a summary of what brings him to the 12
- Jefferson School and then also of his family therapy 13
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- States: "Travis was referred to TJSPTS 15
- program for his involvement in a second degree sexual 16
- offense against his 8-year-old cousin. Travis admits 17
- to his involvement in this offense; however, he does 18
- have a tendency to minimize his behaviors and their 19 damaging consequences. 20
- "Travis does have a fairly longstanding 21
- history of participation in outpatient therapy to 22
- address the various issues that have surfaced within 23
- the family such as lack of bonding between Travis and
- 25 his adoptive parents, the sexual abuse perpetrated on

- 1 Travis by his adoptive father, the death of his
- biological mother and, finally, his involvement in the 2
- current legal charges. Travis presents as ready and 3
- willing to engage in treatment for his sexually abusive 4

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- behaviors and appears committed to learning coping 5
- skills and aimed towards making healthier choices in 6
- the future." 7
- Q. 35B? R
- A. 35B is a note -- it's addressed to "Whom it may 9
- concern." I believe it's addressed to the Court from 10
- the attending psychiatrist. It states: It is my 11
- recommendation that Travis Mullis not be present for 12
- his upcoming court hearing. It is my medical opinion 13
- 14 that his presence at this Court hearing would impose
- significant anxiety in this child which may endanger 15
- his safety." 16
 - Q. Now to Defendant's Exhibit 36. Looks like 36A
- is multiple pages. 18
 - A. It's a psychological report from the public
- schools that just summarizes the various psychological 20
- evaluations, diagnoses, and recommendations throughout 21
- 22 his childhood.
 - Q. How old is he when this referral is made?
- A. This is actually completed in March of 2004 but 24
 - reflects all evaluations going back to the first when
- 1 he was 7.

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- Q. If you will go ahead.
- A. Okay. "He had been placed at the Jefferson 3
- School on January 19th, 2001, by the Department of 4
- Juvenile Justice for a second degree sex offense and 5
- not for educational reasons. Records that were 6
- received from the Jefferson School indicated that 7
- Travis had been documented as having the educational 8
- disability of multiple disabilities. However, the 9
- records did not indicate which two or more educational 10
- disabilities were included in this coding. Phone calls 11
- 12 by Edgewood High School staff members to the Jefferson
- School could not elicit this information." 13
 - "He was currently receiving four hours of
- special education services per week. Mrs. Mullis 15 reported that Travis is currently taking Risperdal, 16
- Depakote and Wellbutrin. Travis' first psychological 17
- assessment 9/8/94, N. Williams, Ph.D." --18
- Q. Let me cut you off there. How old would he 19
- have been on 9/8/94". Let's make it 9/20/94. 20 A. He would have been 7 -- 8. He would have just
- 21 turned 8. He was completed when he was 7 years of age 22
- 23 and in the third grade.
 - Q. There's another page I think you --
 - A. There's several more pages and it's a summary

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97 95 of all the various assessments that he had. "On February 13th" -- and I believe it's 1 1997 but the year is difficult to read on this copy --Q. Are any of the summaries -- have we covered 2 2 "Travis was documented as having the educational them yet? 3 disability of specific learning disability by the A. No, not the educational assessment. 4 4 Q. Okay. Go ahead. Abbington Elementary IPE team. 5 5 6 A. It says: "He was described as a frustrated 6 "On April 15th, 1999, the Bellaire Middle IEP team redocumented Travis' educational disability as 7 young boy who was having to deal with the sexual abuse 7 multiple disabilities based on a re-evaluation of by his father and with feelings of guilt about his 8 8 available information. father's presence in jail and absence from home and who 9 feels very close to his mother and at times worries 10 Q. What page are you on? Because I lost you. 10 about her absence which results in separation anxiety." A. I'm on Page 3. 11 11 "The diagnoses made included separation MR. MCCLELLAN: You've got to keep turning 12 12 13 anxiety disorder and attention deficit hyperactivity 13 the pages. 14 disorder. An outdated instrument was utilized to test 14 MR. BOURQUE: I'm easily distracted, okay. A. "The educational disability of specific 15 15 Travis' intellectual ability; thus, his true learning disability was re-documented based solely on intellectual ability would be lower than what was 16 classroom performance, IEP progress and unit reported by Dr. Williams and would probably have been 17 17 assessments rather than academic achievement scores. in the high average range had the valid instrument been 18 18 utilized." "On August 26th, 1999, an SE13 was 19 19 Q. Okay. submitted from Dr. Robert S. Knight which diagnosed 20 20 ADHD and dysgraphia. Dr. Knight did not report any A. "A psychological consultation report, 1/27/95, 21 21 symptoms or supportive evidence for the diagnosis of 22 R. Lesser, Harford County Public Schools, was completed 22 when Travis was 8 and in the third grade. He was these conditions. 23 23 referred by the people services team due to behavior "A psychiatric discharge summary, 24 24 2/18/2000 by M. Vimalananda, MD, Sheppard Pratt, concerns. After Travis began taking medication for 25 25 96 98 attentional concerns, it was reported that his poor indicated that Travis had been hospitalized for 1 suicidal and homicidal ideation. Travis reportedly had attentional skills were greatly reduced. An 2 been in outpatient treatment on and off since the age educational assessment report 10/10/95, V. Stephens, 3 3 Harford County Public Schools, was completed when of 4. 4 4 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) So, how old is he in February Travis was in the fourth grade. He was referred to the 5 IEP team by his mother due to concerns about academic of 2000? 13, 14? 6 6 A. 13, I believe. performance. 7 7 Q. How many years would that be from 4 until 8 "Another psychological assessment, 8 February the 18th, 9 years? 12/16/96, R. Brokaw, Bay Counseling Services, was 9 completed when Travis was 10 and in the fifth grade. 10 A. Sorry. 10 Q. So, if he's in treatment from the age of 4 to During the assessment he was defiant, hostile, highly 11 11 resistant to the testing situation, restless and 12 the age of 13 how many years is that? 12 A. 9. "The diagnosis made at discharge included 13 agitated. He became less hostile and guarded across 13 mood disorder not otherwise specified, attention the five hourly testing sessions. Attentional concerns 14 14 deficit disorder by history, and impulse control and a number of problematic, especially aggressive 15 15 behaviors were reported my Mrs. Mullis. disorder. Another private psychological assessment, 16 16 6/30/2000 by M. Stein, completed when Travis was 13 "The diagnoses made included attention 17 17 years old and in seventh grade: At that time Travis deficit hyperactivity disorder, predominately 18 18 had recently been admitted to the Sheppard Pratt inattentive type, disorder of written expression and 19 19

He reportedly demonstrated flashbacks, panic attacks, impairment,' end quote, specific learning disability.

Hospital due to suicidal and homicidal behavior.

admissions since molesting his 8-year-old cousin in

sexual abuse by his adoptive father for three years.

February 2000. He was reported to have a history of

"He reportedly had three previous

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optional defiant disorder. A review of this report,

suggested the consideration of the educational

disability of multiple disabilities based on the

educational disabilities," quote, 'other health

3/27/97, R. Lesser, Harford County Public Schools,

- and nightmares regarding his abuse. He reportedly had
- been diagnosed as having the diagnoses of 2
- post-traumatic stress disorder, chronic; Bipolar II; 3
- hypomanic, provisional; attention deficit hyperactivity
- disorder, combined type. At that time he was receiving 5
- Seroquel and Depakote. 6
- "Travis was reported to be a depressed,
- anxious, and impulsive youngster with low self-esteem 8
- who displays mood instability and variable reality 9
- testing and appears to be easily overwhelmed and 10
- disorganized within interpersonal relationships. He 11
- appeared at risk for self-destructive and destructive 12
- behavior." 13
- Q. How old is he when this report is made that he 14
- appeared at risk for self-destructive and destructive 15
- 16 behavior?
- A. 13 years old 17
- Q. What is self-destructive? 18
- A. Would be suicidal behavior or self-mutilation. 19
- 20 Q. Next paragraph.
- A. "Another educational assessment 7/10/2000, 21
- 22 D. Phipps at Sheppard Pratt when Travis was 13 years of
- age. At that time he had been out of school for five 23
- months and had been hospitalized at Sheppard Pratt 24
- since March of 2000. Prior to that time he had been 25
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- hospitalized at Shepherd Pratt four times in a span of 1
- six weeks. He was admitted for suicidal and homicidal 2
- ideation. Although test scores were based on grade 3
- norms rather than age norms, Travis demonstrated low 4
- average to very superior. The validity of this report 5
- is judged to be highly questionable and the information
- should not be used in making educational decisions." 7
- "Travis was placed at the Jefferson Day 8
- School in Frederick County by the Department of 9
- 10 Juvenile Justice, January 19th, 2001. Travis' current
- diagnoses were reported to include Bipolar I disorder, 11
- most recent episode mixed, unspecified; post-traumatic
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- stress disorder and attention deficit hyperactivity 13
- 14
- Q. At this point up until now has there been any 15
- diagnosis of reactive attachment disorder? 16
- A. No. 17
- 18 Q. Next page.
- A. These are conditions and observations 19
- psychological testing that was done at this time which 20
- would have been in 2004. 21
- It states: "At times he would not attempt 22
- the difficult items saying instead, 'You can just skip 23
- those.' He tended to be rude, assaulted the examiner 24
- about being old, made a number of inappropriate 25

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- comments and frequently used fowl language. He did not
- give any indication that he thought his behavior was 2
- inappropriate." 3

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- Q. Page 6 of that report.
- A. "Travis performs better on the more concrete
- row "Learned tasks" which do not require much problem 6
- solving or abstract reasoning skill. It would appear 7
- that based on the current test results in comparison 8
- with the previous test results, Travis' abstract 9
- reasoning skills have not kept pace with his advancing 10
 - chronological age."
 - "He performed below average in practical
- social reasoning and judgment. He performed well below 13
- age level in active working memory; however, this is 14
- the last subtest administered and when most of the 15
- items were presented, he did not even attempt them." 16
 - "He performed below average in abstract
- non-verbal reasoning. Generally, Travis' visual 18
- perceptional organizational skills were adequate for 19
- his age level but his non-verbal reasoning and problem 20
- solving were weaker. He tended to use trial and error 21
- problem solving strategies which would be considered 22
- immature strategies for his chronological age." 23
- Q. That's off of 36A? 24
 - A. That's correct.

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- Q. 36B? 1
 - A. B. C. and D are all similar documents that 2
 - document his mother's -- that document his mother's not
 - present for any of these special education IEPs or
 - 5 individual education planned meetings at the school
 - system. 6
 - Q. And when you say B, C, and D, you're talking 7
 - 8 about --

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- A. 36B, 36C and 36D. The 36C documents not only 9
- that she's not present but that -- "she will be 10
- dismissed from services as of 4/22/04. Several 11
- attempts were made to contact parent." 12
- Q. Okay. Then we have Defendant's Exhibit No. 37 13
- which appears to be the Harford County school records 14
- from '01 through '03; is that correct? 15
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. And 38, Harford County Sheriff's Office records 17
- regarding the abuse of Susan Barry? 18
 - A. Correct.
- Q. And Defendant's Exhibit No. 39, classification 20
- -- jail records classification and inmate records from 21
- Galveston County? 22
- A. From Galveston County, yes. 23
- Q. Is that correct? 24
- A. That's correct. 25

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1	Q. Did you pull anything out of 37 or 38 and	1	A. There are three different choices.
2	wanted to show the jury?	2	Q. And what's the No. 1 choice?
3	A. I did not.	3	A. High.
4	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, at this time I would	4	Q. No. 2 choice?
5	offer Defendant's Exhibit No. 37, Defendant's Exhibit	5	A. Closed custody.
6	No. 38, Defendant's Exhibit No. 39 and 39A through 39L	6	Q. No. 3?
7	and tender the same to counsel for their review.	7	A. Medium assaultive-escape.
8	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection to	8	Q. 4?
9	Defendant's Exhibit 37.	9	A. Medium.
10	THE COURT: Admitted.	10	Q. 5A?
	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection the	11	A. Medium presentenced.
11	Defendant's Exhibit 38.	12	Q. 5B?
12	THE COURT: It's admitted.	13	A. Minimum presentenced.
13			Q. 6?
14	MR. BOURQUE: Thank you.	14	A. Minimum.
15	MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection to	15	• •
16	Defendant's Exhibit 39, 39A through 39L.	16	Q. 7?
17	THE COURT: Those exhibits will be	17	A. Low minimum.
18	admitted.	18	Q. 8?
19	MR. BOURQUE: May I publish, Judge?	19	A. Very low.
20	THE COURT: You may.	20	Q. So, he's not listed here as a high security
21	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Again, so I'm clear, there	21	risk; is that right?
22	wasn't anything out of 38 or 39 you wanted to show to	22	A. That's correct.
23	the jury or point out?	23	Q. Now, did you do the circle there or was that in
24	A. That's correct.	24	the records?
25	Q. Although they are into evidence for the jury's	25	A. The circle was in the records.
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1	review?	1	Q. And then that is 39C. And again we have 39D, a
2	A. Yes. 38 is duplicated in several other files,	2	39E, a 39F, 39G, 39H, 39I, and a 39J and 39K and a 39L?
3	other places.	3	A. That's correct.
4	Q. Now, what was it in 39A you wanted to show the	4	Q. Now, up until we get to 391 I guess that
5	jury?	5	would be all the way to 39H we got him listed at
6	A. 39A is a report on one of the two infractions	6	medium; is that correct? And then at 39I on September
7	that Mr. Mullis committed while he was incarcerated.	7	the looks like March the 25th of 2010.
8	It states: "Inmate Mullis, Travis J., No. 64386,	8	A. Correct.
9	interfered with the taking of count of the H100 pod by	9	Q. That's 39I, J, K, and L we've got medium. He
10	hiding in his cell and not answering this deputy when	10	goes to a Level 3; is that correct?
11	called."	11	A. That's correct.
12	Q. And in 39B?	12	Q. In any of the records that you had, did you
13	A. It is the second of the two infractions by	13	ever see him go to a 1 or a 2?
14	Mr. Mullis and it reports: "The guard noticed a	14	A. Never.
15	massive amount of graffiti. Some of the graffiti	15	Q. Now, Defendant's Exhibit 40. Do you recognize
16		16	Defendant's Exhibit 40?
	consisted of gang signs and an extensive amount of		
17	initials. Other graffiti marks consisted of white	17	A. Ido.
17		17 18	A. I do. Q. What is Defendant's Exhibit 40?
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1	MR. BOURQUE: Judge, I'll offer	1	tender it to the State for their review.
2	Defendant's Exhibits 40 and 40A through 40D.	2	MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection to 41
3	(Counsel conferring privately)	3	or 41A.
4	MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection to 40	4	THE COURT: They are admitted.
5	or 40A, 40B or C. 40D is already in evidence.	5	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) As you look at Defendant's
6	THE COURT: Defendant's 40, 40A through C	6	Exhibit 41A, it looks to be about a four-page document.
7	is admitted. D is a duplication, already admitted.	7	Is that accurate?
	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) These are the jail records it	8	A. Yes.
8	appears; is that correct?	9	Q. What is it you wanted to share with the jury?
9	A. That's correct.	10	A. It's a narrative of the report of abuse against
10	Q. From the Galveston County Sheriff's Department?	11	Travis by Gary. A lot of it has been in other
11	•		documents that we've seen but some of it is either
12	A. Correct.	12	additional or is contrary to what we've seen before.
13	Q. What is it you wanted to reflect to the jury?	13	
14	A. There was a diagnosis by the UT Medical Branch	14	He states: "Ms. Bloxham related their office had
15	Hospital of an overdose and a recommendation to seek	15	received a phone call from the victim's father at the
16	further medical attention for depression.	16	request of his therapist who admitted to some
17	Q. 40B?	17	inappropriate behavior with his son while taking baths
18	A. This is a note by a social worker in the jail	18	together. He admitted to fondling his son's penis but
19	which quotes Travis as stating: "I guess I'm doing	19	did not remember how many times.
20	okay considering what I've done and where I am." She	20	"Ms. Bloxham interviewed the victim who
21	reports that "the inmate appears childlike, laughs and	21	stated, 'My dad kisses my tummy' pointing to his penis
22	smiles at inappropriate times and that inmate does	22	and said 'the kissing makes his penis tickle.' The
23	report multiple instances of acting on impulse without	23	victim stated daddy can only kiss him on the lips now.
24	knowing what he is doing."	24	The victim stated he had a secret and the last time his
1	O How old is he when this is hennening Echrusty	1 25	father had kissed his tummy was before St. Patrick's
25	Q. How old is he when this is happening, February	25	
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Case 3:13-cv-00121 Document 119-51 Filed on 01/23/19 in TXSD Page 32 of 57 March 16, 2011 113 111 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, let's be kissed the victim's penis. He stated he knew it was 1 at ease while they're conferring about these documents. wrong but the victim came looking for it and he did not 2 2 want to disappoint his son. He stated he knew these (Counsel conferring privately) 3 3 MR. MCCLELLAN: I have no objection to 42, actions were wrong and was afraid of the ramifications 4 5 of these acts. Mr. Mullis stated that after awhile he 5 43, or 42A. just could not stop and his son said he would not tell. THE COURT: All right. 42, 42A, and 43 6 6 are admitted. 7 He stated he knew this was not right and he said he's 7 MR. BOURQUE: May I publish 42A, Your bothered by the sexual abuse but could not refuse 8 8 Honor? 9 anymore. He stated about two months ago he said it had 9 THE COURT: You may. to stop." 10 10 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Again, Defendant's Exhibit 42 "Mr. Mullis stated that he would take his 11 11 are records regarding Memorial Hermann records at the son's penis into his mouth and that they would both 12 12 Texas Medical Center on Alijah Mullis; is that correct? become sexually aroused. He stated that the victim did 13 13 A. That's correct. And the same document is in not realize that what he was asking for was wrong and 14 14 both files from Alijah and Caren. he finally had to tell him. He stated he did not place 15 15 his son's penis in his mouth every time the child asked 16 Q. All right. Go ahead. 16 A. "SW received a phone call from patient's MGM, him but only six or seven times from September, 1992 17 17 Carolyn, who was calling from New Jersey to share her until May of 1993. When questioned, he stated he had 18 18 concerns about patient's parent. Patient's MGM stated never placed anything in the child's rectum and only 19 19 one time had he asked his son to take his penis in his 20 that she is the primary financial support for patient's 20 parents as neither of them are employed and have no mouth. But then he changed his mind about having his 21 21 other source of income. Patient's MGM also expressed son do this." 22 22 concern about Ms. Kohberger's stability as she states "He stated that his sexual activities with 23 23 that patient's parents are lacking many of the basic 24 his wife changed in September of 1992. Before that 24 resources they will need in carrying for the patient. time they were normal. He stated these acts always 25 25 114 112 "Ms. Kohberger stated that patient's occurred in the family's home and the wife was never at 1 1 maternal aunt is a psychiatrist and she has concerns of home during those acts. Mr. Mullis stated he has never 2 2 Ms. Kohberger's emotional stability after visiting her had any problems with other children. He continued by 3 earlier this week. Patient's parents need additional 4 saying he knew he had a problem and needed help. 4 resources and support. Dr. Su stated he did not have 5 That's why he went to Ms. Jennings." 5 any concerns. However, he agreed that I could speak to "Based on that report charges were filed 6 6 the patient's parents to evaluate while providing against Gary Mullis for child abuse, second degree sex 7 7 appropriate resources and support. They stated they offense, third degree sex offense, perverted practice, 8 8 have future plans to move to Alvin where FOB's mother 9 and battery." 9 figure can assist with the child care Q. Defendant's Exhibit No. 42 and 43. Did you 10 10 responsibilities." 11 identify 42? 11 Q. Is there anything else out of 42, second page? A. 42 are the medical records for Alijah Mullis 12 12 from Memorial Hermann, the Texas Medical Center. These A. "Patient's mother stated she found out she was 13 13 pregnant at about five weeks. She stated that she did are the records from his birth. 14 14 not have Medicaid until her sixth month and she was not O. Defendant's Exhibit 43. 15 15 receiving regular prenatal care. At 19 weeks she got A. These are also medical records from Memorial 16 16 nervous because she didn't feel the baby moving. She Hermann Medical Center. These are the records for 17 17 stated that FOB called EMS and was transported to Ben Caren Kohberger. 18 18 Taub. She stated that she had tests run but that she Q. And also out of Defendant's Exhibit 42, did you 19 19 left the hospital before receiving the test results pull one exhibit marked as 42A? 20 20 because she was unhappy with her care. It appears that A. Yes. 21 21

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they have good family support from the maternal side of

the family but it is unsure if this support will

benefit greatly from additional resources and

continue for much longer. Patient's family would

Honor?

42A and Defendant's Exhibit 43.

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MR. BOURQUE: Judge, we would offer 42,

MR. MCCLELLAN: May we approach, Your

March 16, 2011 117 115 DIRECT EXAMINATION (Cont'd.) supportive services." 1 1 Q. I believe that takes us to the Defendant's 2 BY MR. BOURQUE: 2 Q. Ms. Vitale, do you have what's marked as Exhibit 44; is that right? 3 3 Defendant's Exhibit 46? A. Yes. 4 4 A. Yes. O. Can you identify Defendant's Exhibit 44 for us 5 6 O. Is this what we talked about earlier in terms at this time? 6 of phone calls? A. Yes. These are medical records received from 7 7 Dr. Knight and the Plumtree Family Health Center. A. Yes. R 8 Q. And this fairly and accurately depicts after Q. Okay. Was there anything -- what is Plumtree 9 9 you've been through all the numbers and the records, Family Health Center? 10 10 phone calls and visits regarding that 71 days that A. It's a medical clinic in Maryland where Travis 11 11 Travis Mullis or Travis Wallace was in the hospital Mullis received medical care as an adolescent. 12 12 immediately after his birth? O. That's what these records are for? 13 13 A. Yes. A. Yes. 14 14 Q. You brought these for the jury to have access 15 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, I tender -- offer 15 Defendant's Exhibit 46 and tender to counsel for their to? 16 16 review. 17 A. Yes. 17 MR. BOURQUE: Offer Defendant's Exhibit MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection. 18 18 THE COURT: Defense Exhibit 46 is 19 19 44. admitted. Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Also, to clarify, you didn't 20 20 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Let me direct your attention pull anything out of Defendant's Exhibit 44 to mark as 21 21 to Defendant's Exhibit 45 which are these volumes 44A or anything else, did you? 22 22 marked down on the floor. Can you tell the ladies and A. I did not. 23 23 MR. MCCLELLAN: May I take the witness on 24 gentlemen of the jury what those exhibits are? 24 A. That is the entire record for Travis Mullis voir dire, Your Honor? 25 25 118 116 from Sheppard Pratt and the Jefferson School. THE COURT: You may. 1 1 Q. That includes seven volumes of three-ring **VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION** 2 2 binders? BY MR. MCCLELLAN: 3 3 A. Correct. Q. Do these only deal with physical medical issues 4 4 as opposed to psychological medical treatment? 5 O. Now, from that, Defendant's Exhibit 45, what 5 did you pull together? A. No. I believe there are also some 6 6 A. I culled through those records and pulled 277 psychological diagnoses in there. 7 7 pages that I felt would give a good representation of MR. MCCLELLAN: No objection. 8 8 what was going on during the time Travis was at the THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 44 is 9 9 Jefferson School, discussing anything from his behavior admitted. 10 10 on shifts, his behavior and interactions in therapy, MR. BOURQUE: Before we get to Defendant's 11 11 medical notes, psychiatric notes, a variety of all Exhibit 45A, we have another exhibit marked, 46. This 12 12 different kinds of records. might be a good time to break for lunch if the Court 13 13 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, may I have just a 14 concedes. 14 15 second? THE COURT: All right. We'll do that. 15 THE COURT: You may. Ladies and gentlemen, it's about 11 minutes after 16 16 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) And we've marked that as 12:00. If y'all can be back ready to go at 1:30. 17 17 Defendant's Exhibit 45A? 18 (Lunch recess taken) 18 A. That's correct. (Open court, Defendant present, Jury 19 19 20 Q. And those are records that we pulled from 20 present) Defendant's Exhibit 45 which is this two or three THE COURT: You may be seated. 21 21 thousand pages of paperwork? Mr. Bourque, you may continue. 22 22 A. I think almost 4,000, yeah. MR. BOURQUE: May I approach the witness, 23 23 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, at this time I'll 24 Your Honor? 24 offer 45A into evidence. THE COURT: Yes, sir. 25 25

119 121 MR. MCCLELLAN: To which we have no Q. Now, before we go to Tab 7 there were two 1 1 doctors, Dr. Feldman? objection. 2 2 A. There is -- the Dr. Feldman that I'm familiar THE COURT: So, at this time, just to be 3 3 clear, 45A is being offered and not 45 at this point. with is Stephen Feldman who was the pediatrician whose 4 MR. BOURQUE: 45 will not be offered by records we talked about earlier. 5 5 Q. Is that the doctor that diagnosed him with 6 us. 6 THE COURT: All right. 45A is admitted. scarlet fever? 7 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Now, for example, you talked R A. That's correct. 8 Q. Now, when we go to the ARD meetings and 9 about some of the things that you pulled out of these 9 information about him when he's in the second grade, 10 -- out of 45 to compile what is 45A. Did you also 10 where would that be? create an index? Is there an index there? 11 11 12 A. There is. A. That would be under Tab 7 and that is 12 information that was in the Jefferson School records 13 Q. How many different sections or how many 13 different things did you pull to place into 45A? but that came to them from Harford County Public 14 14 Schools in the form of an educational assessment A. There are 277 sections in the binder and 277 15 15 labels on the index. There are some that contain more report. 16 than one record and those are reflected on the index. Q. And what about Tab 7, I think, in June of '95 17 17 Q. And why did you do an index to this 45A? some record that exists relative to when Gary Mullis 18 18 was released from prison? A. Hopefully to facilitate anyone who's looking at 19 19 these records and being able to find specific things A. That's in the child and adolescent psychosocial 20 20 and to know what they're looking at. assessment. 21 21 Q. In Tab 7? Q. Okay. Now, when we're talking about 45A, are 22 22 A. Correct. these going to be records that are separate and apart 23 23 Q. When he had his second testing psychological from all these other exhibits we've talked about so 24 24 far? assessment they found him with separation anxiety and 25 25 120 122 ADHD? A. Almost all of these are different. I think 1 1 A. That actually comes from the Harford County maybe one -- I believe it was a transfer summary that 2 3 was contained in the Jefferson School Records that we psychological report that we discussed earlier and that 3 discussed earlier because it was also contained in is in this binder under Tab 10. 4 another set of records that we've gone through. Q. What about -- did he have the Hepatitus B 5 5 vaccine or was he diagnosed with Hepatitis B? Q. For example, if the jury wanted to find out 6 6 A. He was given the vaccine. when Travis Mullis was potty trained, where would they 7 7 Q. What about the evidence of the concussion when 8 go to find that? 8 9 A. That's something that would be in the social he was playing hockey or roller hockey? A. There's documentation of the concussion and the assessment from Stone Bridge Transitional Care Program 10 10 and they could look at the index here and that would be 11 symptoms that he suffered after that and that is again 11 back in Tab 7 which is in the school performance data 12 Tab 2 and it should be fairly easy to find the document 12 summary and as well also the child and adolescent 13 from there. 13 psychosocial assessment. Q. What about records that might reflect when he 14 14 Q. What's in Tab 12? was first initially diagnosed with rapid mood swings, 15 A. Tab 12 is the psychosocial assessment and it was first noted anywhere? 16 16 social work intervention plan from Sheppard Pratt. A. I believe that would be Tab 3 in the Initial 17 17 Review and Screening form from the Jefferson School. 18 Q. What's in Tab 13? 18 A. It's another school performance data summary. 19 Q. And his height and weight records that you 19 Q. What about Tab 14? might see? 20 20 A. It's a pre-admission evaluation from the A. They are on the health assessment form Part 1, 21 21 which is Tab 4. 22 Jefferson School. 22 Q. Any indications in that Tab 14 that are 23 Q. Vision and hearing testing section? 23 A. That's another health screening form which is 24 relative to suicidal ideations? 24 25 A. Yes, I believe there are. It reports that

Tab 6.

there have been multiple suicide attempts.

Q. Okay. What's in Tab 15?

A. Tab 15 is the standardized test information

- form and it gives scores that Travis received on
- writing tests as well as functional reading tests and
- 6 it just documents that he passed both of those.
- 7 Q. Okay. Now what about Tab 16?
- 8 A. Tab 16 is a discharge summary from his, I
- 9 believe, first placement at Sheppard Pratt. He was
- there from the 14th of February in 2000 to the 18th of
- 11 February in 2000.
- Q. What assessments are being made there or what are we finding out in that tab?
- A. The assessment discusses why he was
- 15 hospitalized which was because of suicidal ideation.
- 16 He had considered cutting his head off or drowning
- 17 himself. They determined that his insight and judgment
- were impaired and that he was restless. He described
- 19 himself during that assessment as being in a deep hole
- and they discussed anger that he felt at his adopted
- 21 father over the sexual abuse as well as guilt over his
- 22 own abuse of his cousin.
- There is documentation in that summary
- 24 also about medication that he's been administered which
- are Ritalin, Citracal and Proventil. And there is a

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- discharge note which indicates at the time of discharge
- 2 on the 18th there were no aggressive or
- 3 self-destructive behaviors and that Travis and his
- 4 mother participated in therapy.
- 5 Q. Any indications of any mood disorder diagnosis,
- 6 ADD or impulse control disorders in that tab?
- A. Yes. He's diagnosed with all three; mood
- 8 disorder NOS, ADD by history and an impulse control
- 9 disorder.
- Q. How old would he have been at that point?
- A. I'll do the math again.
- 12 Q. 13 and a half?
- A. 13 years old. And he was discharged on an
- 14 additional medication of Paxil.
- Q. Then what do we have on 17. We have some additional --
- A. Tab 17 is also a discharge summary from his
- next hospitalization at Sheppard Pratt. It also
- 19 documents that he is impulsive, labile and easily
- 20 agitated. It documents that his medications are
- 21 Ritalin, Paxil, and that they've also added Seroquel.
- 22 It discusses his education which is that he's in the
- 23 7th grade and in special education. It states that he
- 24 remained safe while he was on the unit and did not
- 25 exhibit any aggression towards peers or staff. He

- expressed sadness again over the abuse and at one pointduring a family meeting he punched the wall and
- 3 threatened to kill himself.
- Q. This would have been in March the 2nd of 2000
- 5 through March the 6th?
- 6 A. That's correct. He was discharged on the 18th
- 7 of February and was back in the hospital within two
- 8 weeks almost.

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- Q. What do we have in Tab 18?
- A. Tab 18 is rather than a discharge summary, it's
- 11 an admission note from the attending physician at
- 12 Sheppard Pratt. This is from -- an admission note from
- 13 his third admission there.
- O. This is -- tell the jury what this is about.
- 15 this March 14th?
- A. He had been rehospitalized due to an incident
- of acting out while his grandmother is watching him.
- 18 He reports that he had been drinking alcohol, that he
- 19 had stopped taking his Seroquel and apparently he tried
- 20 to set -- talked about setting fire to a gasoline drum
- and then expressed a desire to strangle his grandmother
- 22 and himself.
- Q. Do we know which grandmother he's talking
- 24 about?

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- A. Yes. I believe it's Francis Barry, his
- ge 1 adoptive mother's mother.
 - Q. In Section 18 what impressions -- I'm sorry --
 - 3 19. What do we find in Section 19 -- Tab 19?
 - A. Tab 19 is a psychiatric update and Tab 19 is a
 - 5 report by Dr. Lyon. And Dr. Lyon reports -- his
 - 6 impressions are that Travis is immature and impulsive
 - 7 and that further evaluation of sexual preoccupation is
 - 8 necessary as well as psychometric assessment.
 - necessary as well as psycholitethe assessment.
 - Q. And also they're concerned about what else?A. He also suggests an evaluation to determine
 - 11 organic brain impairment.
 - Q. What else were they concerned about there?
 - A. It states that Travis seems to be psychopathic
 - 14 and that there are antisocial traits with the
 - 15 possibility of a mood disorder.
 - Q. And that's 13 years, 6 months?
 - A. Correct.
 - Q. Let's go to Tab 20.
 - A. Another psychological evaluation this time by a
 - 20 Ph.D., Melinda Stein. And she again documents that he
 - 21 appears depressed, anxious and impulsive with low
 - 22 self-esteem. He displays mood instability and variable
 - 23 testing. He's easily overwhelmed and disorganized with
 - 24 interpersonal relationships and requires a highly
 - 25 structured environment for success. Finally her

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recommendation is that a trauma consult be obtained.

- Q. Do you know what a trauma consult is? 2
- A. I believe that's due to the sexual abuse in 3
- order to determine a possible diagnosis of 4
- post-traumatic stress disorder. 5
- Q. Okay. Let's go to -- Tab 21 has some 6
- information. What about Tab 22? 7
- A. Tab 22 is documentation of a request that was 8
- made to -- it's by the Harford County Local
- Coordinating Council. It's the Interagency Admission 10
- Review Dismissal Committee and I believe that's an 11
- agency that's associated with the Harford County School 12
- 13 District.

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- 14 There was a request made for Ann Mullis,
- his adoptive mother, to come in and complete a social 15
- 16 history so that they can make the appropriate placement
- for him and this form documents that she refuses to do 17
- that. 18
- Q. And what references are made, if any, in Tab 19
- 24? 20
- A. Tab 24 is a nursing assessment and it documents 21
- that there is history of suicidal ideation times 5. On 22
- one of those occasions he had developed an actual plan 23
- and on one of those occasions he had gone through with 24
- the attempt at suicide. 25

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- Q. What else do you have in Tab 24? 1
- A. The nursing assessment notes that there are 2
- mild tremors present in Travis, that his emotional 3
- response pattern is childlike and that he doesn't
- really like himself because he has impulse control 5
- problems. 6
- Q. When would this -- what period of time is this 7
- that Tab 24 deals with?
- A. This is also while he's at Sheppard Pratt in 9
- the Jefferson School and this was in January of 2001. 10
- Q. Then Tab 25? 11
- A. This is a psychiatric progress note which 12
- indicates that he's settling down on the unit in 13
- residential treatment and that he seems to be making 14
- progress and that they're not having any adults with 15
- him at that time. 16
- Q. That is on February 2nd, 2001? 17
- A. Yes. 18
- Q. Also immediately following Tab 25 is Tab 26 on 19
- or about the same day? 20
- A. Right. He then begins to argue a bit with the 21
- staff regarding the unit rules. 22
- Q. So, on February 2nd, 2001, there are notes that
- he's making progress settling down and then in Tab 26 24
- on the very same day he's beginning to argue unit rules

with the staff.

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- A. That's correct.
- Q. Tab 27 and Tab 28 deal with issues. What's 3
- happening in Tab 29? 4
 - A. Tab 29 is a nursing progress note and it
- documents that he's experiencing some drainage from an

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- old stoma site. So, one of his -- one of the scars 7
- from the injuries or illnesses that he had as a young 8
- infant is still continuing to cause him problems. 9
- 10 Q. Now, let me jump back to Tab 7 for just a
 - minute. Did you -- was there any indication in Tab 7
- as to the amount of drugs that he was on and what kind 12
- of drugs he was on? 13
 - A. By drugs do you mean --
- Q. Medication. I'm sorry. 15
- A. That's okay. 16
 - Q. If you look on your time sheet on 1/19/01.
- A. Okay. Yes. At that time he is on Depakote. 18
- He's taking 250 milligrams in the morning and 500 19
- milligrams later in the day and also Seroquel, 100 20
- milligrams, two tablets twice a day. And then also 21
- some other medications, a multivitamin, Tylenol and 22
- Benadryl. 23
- Q. Also what kind of indications are there, if 24
- there are any, about -- out at Tab 7 that talk about 25

him initiating contact with his father, slash, abuser?

- A. It does indicate he has attempted contact with 2
- 3 his father.
- Q. Did you find anything in the records that you 4
- were able to pull from Sheppard Pratt that talked about 5
- -- what kinds of records were you able to determine 6
- that even at this age he's having problems with this --7
- his stoma site? What is that? 8
- A. I believe that's the site of where either he 9
- had the G-tube before or something -- one of the lines 10
- 11 that was placed either for feeding or something. I'll
- leave that to Dr. Katz who can probably address that 12
- better than I can. But that would be a site that was 13
- created when he was an infant during his multiple 14
- surgeries. 15

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- Q. What time frame are we talking about in terms 16 of Tab 29? 17
 - A. We're talking 2001; so, this is -- he's 13, 14.
- Q. Okay. Tab 31 that you pulled, what's the 19
- content of 30 and 31? 20
- A. 30 and 31 are both evening shift notes and any 21
- time someone's in residential treatment there will be 22
- documentation from every shift, hence the 3,000-plus 23
- pages. These particular notes report that he's 24
- 25 discussing with staff feelings about sexualized

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- behavior by other residents and that's making him
- uncomfortable and he's fearful he will be victimized 2
- again while he's there at the facility and staff is 3
- reassuring him and saying he'll be safe and he won't be
- re-victimized. 5
- Q. That would be in Tab 30. Then what happens 6
- over in 31? 7
- A. In 31 Travis discusses that he's been having R
- nightmares and confesses that he's abused his cousin 9
- and -- this is a different cousin that I believe we 10
- 11 talked about previously. I believe this is Stephanie
- Barry and he states that she approached him to perform 12
- a sex act and that they had developed a code so that 13
- they could discuss what they were doing without anyone 14
- 15 knowing what they were talking about.
- Q. Then that takes us down to 35. What's going on 16
- in 35? 17
- A. Travis is confronted by staff with some 18
- feelings and he's having a difficult time expressing 19
- those feelings. Rather than being able to discuss them 20
- calmly with the therapist, he gets so upset that he 21
- throws his glasses and begins banging his head on the 22
- bleachers. 23
- Q. Then what about 37? 24
- A. Travis discusses having auditory hallucinations 25
 - 132
 - with his counselor. He states that sometimes he hears
- voices but he doesn't like to talk about it. He told
- his 6th grade teacher about it once and she laughed at 3
- 4 him.

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- 5 Q. Okay. Go down to 41. What do you find in 41?
 - A. In 41 there's a visit from his mother and
- grandmother and the records document that they arrive
- for a visit with bags full of junk food, candy, soda, 8
- 9 chips and fast food.
- Q. What's the time frame there? 10
- A. This is also in -- also in 2001 in April. 11
- Q. And then Tab 43? 12
- 13 A. In Tab 43 Travis is also having behavioral
- 14 difficulties and instead of acting out, he goes to
- staff and asks them if he can remove himself from the 15
- 16 group to go to the quiet room for a self-imposed time
- out. 17
- Q. Let's go to Tab 46. What's in there? 18
- A. Tab 46, he makes a confession in the evening 19
- group that he had been abusing his victim for three 20
- 21 months rather than the weeks that he previously
- described. 22
- Q. 47. What do we find in 47? 23
- A. In 47 he discusses family therapy and 24
- apparently it's brought up, his relationship with his

father, and Travis breaks down in family therapy and

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- cries over missing his father. He also admits to
- sneaking phone calls to his father in the recent past. 3
- Q. Tab 48? 4

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- A. He reports that he's still hearing voices.
- Q. What do we find in 49? 6
- A. He's asked to take a time out in his room
- because his behavior is upsetting a peer and causing R
- that peer's behavior to then escalate 9
 - Q. Tab 50, what do we find there?
 - A. Travis is found to have excessive hygiene
- 12 issues. He's not brushing his teeth and when
- confronted about it, becomes disproportionately 13
- reactive and distraught. 14
- 15 Q. Over brushing his teeth?
- A. Yes. 16
 - Q. What do we find in 51?
- A. The psychiatric note in 51 describes that 18
- Travis continues to be a tough challenge for staff and 19
- that he's not showing major progress in behavior, 20
- though he seems to be making some effort. 21
- Q. What does it indicate about his social 22
- maturity? 23
- A. He tends to minimize and behaves in a socially 24
- immature way. 25
 - 134 Q. In Tab 55 that the jury will have in their
- 2 presence, what are they learning from that?
 - A. Discusses his medications at that time which is
- June of '01. He's taking Depakote twice a day, 4
- Seroquel and Wellbutrin. 5
- 6 Q. Are there any in that same tab -- what kind of
- 7 diagnoses are being done, if any?
- A. He's given the diagnosis of bipolar disorder, 8
- post-traumatic stress disorder and ADHD NOS. 9
 - Q. What does NOS mean?
- A. Not otherwise specified. He's also documented 11
- as having problems related to social environment, 12
- educational problems and problems related to 13
- 14 interactions with the legal system.
 - Q. What's his GAF score in Tab 55?
- A. 40. 16
- Q. What do we pull out of Tab 56? 17
 - A. It's a discussion in family therapy, a note
- about Travis and his mother's relationship. Travis and 19
- Ann Mullis discuss Travis' recent relationship with his 20
- 21 father. The therapist notes that Travis' affect was
- extremely flat and unemotional. Travis appears to be
- very well defended in discussing his father and he does 23
- not want anyone to tell him how he should react to his 24
- father or to limit their contact. 25
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1	Q. Do we know which father we're talking about	1	I believe he had an injury to his foot and that's the
2	here?	2	reason he was it had been prescribed an evening foot
3	A. Gary Mullis, his adoptive father.	3	soak. But eventually he's been able to regroup his
4	Q. Let's go to Tab 58. What is the jury going to	4	behavior, discuss his behavior with staff and then go
5	learn in Tab 58?	5	to bed.
6	A. The nursing progress note documents that he's	6	Q. What about Tab 75?
7	having difficulty this shift and threatens to burn	7	MR. MCCLELLAN: What was the previous one?
8	himself in the shower or hang himself with his	8	MR. BOURQUE: 73.
9	clothing. He tells the nurse that he threatens when	9	A. I'm sorry. 75?
10	he's anxious but only but he needs to be somewhere	10	Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Yes, ma'am.
11	he can feel safe. They won't lock him up.	11	A. Says that Travis has a difficult shift. He's
12	Q. What do we find in Tab 61?	12	calling staff names, saying things like "I can get
13	A. This is a psychiatric note and the psychiatrist	13	anything I want" and "You have no idea what I'm up to."
14	documents that Travis is trying to be involved in the	14	Q. What was that quote about "I'm so covert"?
15	program and he feels that the medications are beginning	15	A. "I'm so covert I can get anything I want. You
16	to help, that Travis is working on his trust issues and	16	all have no idea what I'm up to."
17	making progress, focusing in on treatment issues and	17	Q. Tab 76?
18	that he's making some headway in his sex offender	18	A. It's reported that that's a difficult shift for
19	treatment program. His mood is less volatile and his	19	Travis. He's off task, telling staff to shut up, not
20	information processing is much better.	20	transitioning well between activities and is talking
21	Q. This would have been when?	21	about things like making bombs and blowing up windows.
22	A. This was in July of '01.	22	Q. Tab 78, what do we find there?
23	Q. What happens in Tab 62?	23	A. Again this is a group note, actually, and it
24	A. This is an evening shift note from one of the	24	says that he was unable to attend the group because he
25	residential counselors. In group he presented his work	25	was placed in the quiet room because of an emotional
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1	in Step 1 and Step 2 of his sex offender treatment and	1	mobility and anxiety. He's fearful over upcoming
2	he was able to show some insight into his behaviors.	2	family therapy session.
3	After group he gets upset and acts out by throwing a	3	Q. What's happened in Tab 81?
4	ball at a staff member and this is after he's told that	4	A. When one of his peers begins to escalate and
5	one of the staff members will be leaving the unit which	5	act out during the evening shift, that upsets Travis
6	upset him. He has difficulty processing his feelings	6	who then begins banging his head against the door and
7	and, instead, provokes his peers, bangs his head on the	7	eventually asks staff again if he could remove himself
8	wall, threatens peers and has difficulty following	8	to the quiet room where he can be safe and regroup and
9	directions. He ultimately asks staff if he can remove	9	not hurt himself.
10	himself to the quiet room to regroup.	10	Q. That would have been when?
11	Q. Tab 64, what do we find?	11	A. August of 2001.
12	A. Travis discusses in family therapy his loss and	12	Q. August 17th?
13	his sadness at several of the staff members on the unit	13	A. '01, yes.
14	having left for other jobs and he also is reporting	14	Q. Then in Tab 86 which would be around August
15	that he's upset by an increased amount of flashbacks to	15	30th, 2001, what do you find there?
16	the abuse.	16	A. The note by the pharmacist, he seems to be
17	Q. What about Tab 66?	17	doing very well behaviorally.
18	A. There's apparently stress and conflict going on	18	Q. So, this is nine days after 13 days after
19	in the house in which he's living and he discusses with	19	banging his head against the closet door and the wall?
20	the evening shift staff that he's feeling sad and	20	A. Yes.
21	depressed because of this conflict.	21	Q. Now, in Tab 86 he's doing well?
22	Q. Let's go to Tab 73. What do we find in Tab 73?	22	A. Yes.
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23	A. It's again an evening shift note which	23	Q. Tab 87?
		23 24	Q. Tab 87? A. The psychiatric progress note shows that he's still dealing with issues of depression but there's a

- distinct behavior change, that he's more interested in
- treatment and appears more positive about the outcome
- of his treatment but that he's still having some 3
- attentional problems. 4
- Q. Tab 88, he would be almost 15; is that correct? 5
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. What do we find there? 7
- A. He's very emotional at bedtime. States that 8
- he's having flashbacks and sees himself at 3 years old 9
- 10 performing fellatio on his father. He also sees his
- victims performing fellatio on him. He is so upset 11
- he's not able to agree that he won't hurt himself. He
- has to spend -- the entire evening is spent in the 13
- quiet room where they can monitor him. 14
- Q. Looks like Tabs 90, 91, 92 deal with flashback 15
- issues. Does that sound about right? 16
- A. Yes. 17
- Q. Tab 95. What happens in Tab 95? 18
- A. He's consequenced for being disrespectful and 19
- loses points. He gets into a staff conversation when 20
- it's not appropriate. 21
- 22 Q. Let's go to Tab 98.
- A. Again it's documented that he's banging his 23
- head this time on the armoire and refusing to discuss 24
- with staff what's upset him. He again asks for time 25

 - aside in the quiet room where he's unable to regroup
- and continues to bang the door and becomes more
- aggressive with staff cursing and threatening. After 3
- this continues for a short time he's eventually able to
- 5 process his behavior and feelings about the flashbacks
- he's having and his concerns that the Jefferson School 6
- will not be able to help him. 7
- Q. And this is roughly seven weeks after the 8
- August 17th banging of the head?
- A. Yes. 10
- Q. How old is he on, let's say, November 20th, 11
- 12 2001?
- A. November 20th, 2001, he would be 14, 15. 13
- Q. Okay. 14, 15. 14
- A. I guess that's his birthday. He's turning 15. 15
- Q. So, in Tab 102 what are we finding? 16
- 17 A. He expresses in a conversation with the evening
- shift that he's upset and concerned that he won't be 18
- able to succeed in the program at the Jefferson School 19
- 20 and that his flashbacks are continuous.
 - Q. Let's go to 106. What's happening in 106?
- A. He becomes upset again during evening shift and 22
- becomes verbally abusive towards the staff and refuses 23
- to process his feelings. When staff pushes him further 24
- he admits -- he begins discussing his plans for a pass 25

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- for the Christmas holiday and becomes very emotional 1
- 2 and begins to cry.
- Q. This would be -- what period of time are we 3
- talking about here? 4
 - A. This is probably right around Thanksgiving time
- of the year that he turned 15. 6
- Q. About a month before Christmas? 7
- A. Uh-huh.
- Q. Let's go to Tab 108. What's going on in Tab 9
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- A. This is an update in the note from the 11
- psychiatrist saying that Travis had been holding 12
- feelings in and that he is now having difficulty 13
- following directions, that lately in his treatment he 14
- 15 seems to have shut down, that there's not much change
- in school and, in fact, there's possibly some 16
- deterioration in his school behavior and that he 17
- remains distractible in class. 18
 - Q. Then in 110?
 - A. Again these are nursing and evening shift notes
- which document an episode of disruptive behavior which 21
- 22 requires him to get some PRN or as needed medication
- and be taken to the quiet room. 23
- He is eventually able to process this 24
 - behavior with staff but then again his behavior
- 25
 - deteriorates. And he's again sent to the quiet room
 - and more PRN medications are offered and eventually he 2
 - is able to agree to take those medications orally and 3
 - go on about the evening routine. 4
 - 5 He ultimately discusses with staff his
 - desire to talk to his physician and states that the 6
 - reason he becomes so upset was that he heard voices 7
 - telling him "I'm going to kill you." 8
 - 9 Q. What evidence -- was he ever put in any kind of
 - therapy like horseback riding or where is that? 10
 - A. He did. That's Tab No. 112 which is an 11
 - individual therapy note and that discusses his 12
 - participation in the therapeutic horseback riding 13
 - program. It reports that he spontaneously stroked the 14
 - horse's nose and kissed the horse, thanking it for 15
 - following directions. Travis commented he felt safer 16
 - and more in control working with a horse who was less 17
 - argumentative. He quickly acknowledged the parallels 18
 - in his relationship with staff. 19
 - Q. What's that date? 20
 - A. 12/13/01.

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- Q. And then four days later what do we have?
- A. Four days later he requires physical restraints 23
 - because he becomes out of control and his behavior
 - results in a female staff member actually getting

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- Q. That's in Tab 113?
- A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. Tab 115, what do we see?
- 5 A. Again he's having difficulty with directions.
- 6 He's talking about things -- talking with a peer about
- 7 rioting on the unit, talking to a peer who's on
- 8 restriction and is not allowed to be talking. He uses
- inappropriate language and refuses to go to the quiet
- 10 room. Eventually he's able to accept the consequences
- and goes to the quiet room for 15 minutes and it says
- "has a good remainder of the shift."
 - Q. What about what's in 120?
- A. Travis is expressing to the evening staff that
- 15 he's feeling unsafe after threats are made by a peer
- and inappropriate sexual comments are made by one of
- 17 his peers. He becomes agitated by these comments and
- takes his anger out on staff by throwing a shampoo
- 19 bottle at them. And then when staff bends down to pick
- 20 up either the shampoo or the basket it was in, Travis
- 20 up either the shampoo of the basket it was in, Travis
- 21 comes out of the bathroom and actually kicks the staff
- 22 in the head.

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- Q. What's in Tab 126?
- A. Again, this is an evening shift note and in
- response to his behavior several -- six days earlier:
 - 144
 - "Travis continues to express remorse over kicking staff
- 2 and continues to ask if she is all right. Travis
- 3 apologizes and states he will not do it again."
- 4 Q. What about Tab 130?
- **5** A. Travis in the general group therapy session
- 6 reports that he doesn't have any friends and everyone
- 7 calls him a dork. He continues to isolate himself from
- 8 the group and instead seeks out staff to interact with.
- 9 Q. What about Tab 133?
- A. There's a phone call initiated with his aunt
- and uncle at that time but the aunt hangs up almost
- 12 immediately after the phone call. Travis claims that
- 13 it doesn't bother him but later tells evening shift
- staff that he really jokes about things to cover up how
- 15 he feels.
- Q. Now, what uncle are we talking about in Tab
- 17 133, if you know?
- A. This would be Stephen Barry and the aunt is
- 19 Candy.
- Q. What about Tab 136?
- A. Nursing progress note. Again Travis is having
- 22 flashbacks. He's trying to use the coping skills he's
- 23 learned but is still frightened and angry. Staff notes
- 24 a difference in his behavior this shift. He becomes
- 25 agitated and visually distressed, crying, holding his

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- 1 head and breaks his glasses. He reports having a
- 2 flashback from when his father abused him and spoke of
- 3 not feeling safe. He informed staff that he was
- 4 thinking of hurting himself but was able to contract
- 5 with them not to do any self harm.
 - Q. What about Tab 142?
 - A. He discusses with the evening shift there are
- 8 three additional victims than he has previously
- 9 reported and while he's discussing this with the staff,
- 10 he's visually upset and crying.
 - Q. There's additional references to that in Tab
- 12 144 as well, correct?
 - A. Yes and 143.
 - Q. In Tab 143 did you make any additional notation
- 15 -- did you see anything else in Tab 143 that you
- 16 thought the jury might want to know about?
 - A. Tab 143 is the follow-up note by his
- 18 psychiatrist in which the psychiatrist states that he's
- not sure of the truthfulness of the disclosure of the
- 20 new victims.
- Q. You're talking about the professional who's
- 22 doing the counseling who's making those notations?
 - A. That's correct, his treating psychiatrist.
- Q. About 145, Tab 145?
 - A. Travis is speaking to the evening shift staff
- f 1 about the confusion over his sexuality.
 - Q. Was that about the first place that you saw
 - 3 that come into play? The first time would be my
 - 4 question.
 - A. The first time, I believe, yes.
 - Q. That would have been April the 2nd of '02?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
 - 8 Q. 148. What do we see in 148?
 - A. Staff documents that Travis is caught
 - 10 repeatedly lying about jobs and cars that his mother
 - 11 has. When he's confronted, he makes up additional
 - stories to cover up those lies and this is a pattern in
 - 13 his behavior that's documented as far back as
 - 14 elementary school.
 - Q. How about 149?
 - A. Travis becomes upset with family therapy and
 - storms out of the room and ends up going to the quiet
 - 18 room in order to regroup.
 - Q. What's in 153 now?
 - A. This is another follow-up note by the treating
 - 21 psychiatrist and this is with regards to the three
 - victims that he had disclosed previously. A report was
 - 23 made to CPS by Jefferson School about those victims and
 - it would have been apparently the Washington County
 - 25 Child Protective Services or Department of Social

- Services and they agreed to conduct an investigation.
- Q. When we're talking about the report on the 2
- previous -- previous report where the --3
- A. On 3/28/02 where he discloses there were three 4
- 5 more victims.
- Q. Now, this doesn't mean six now. 6
- A. No. 7
- Q. What's in Tab 154? 8
- A. Again he's discussing confusion over his 9
- sexuality but is not comfortable -- he discusses this 10
- with one of the staff members but reports that he's not 11
- 12 comfortable talking to his therapist about it.
- Q. That's in 154? 13
- A. Yes. 14
- Q. So, this would be the second notation you're 15
- seeing? 16
- A. Correct. 17
- Q. On that --18
- A. On that specific subject. 19
- 20 Q. Then 156, what do we find in 156?
- A. He's being moved from one therapeutic residence 21
- to another and at this point he discusses with staff --22
- expresses his displeasure over moving to the new house 23
- because of his existing relationship with staff and 24
- peers at his current residence. 25
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- Q. And this would be in May 2002? 1
- 2 A. That's correct.
- Q. Roughly 15 years, eight months or something 3
- like that?

- A. Yes. 5
- Q. What do we have in 162? 6
- A. Nursing progress notes indicate that he's
- treated in the clinic for a red pustular area 8 8
- millimeters in diameter anterior -- I'm sorry -- 8 9
- millimeters anterior to the rectum. 10
 - Q. 163, what do we see here?
- A. Travis having difficulty in the program and 12
- continues to be manipulative with staff. The 13
- psychiatrist documents that they're trying to help his 14
- mother set better boundaries for him and that he's not 15
- reported any flashbacks in the last few days. 16
- Q. What sort of theme are we seeing with these 17
- flashbacks? How long a period are these flashbacks 18
- going to go according to these Sheppard Pratt records. 19
- A. They're discussed throughout the three or four 20 years he's there. 21
- 22 Q. Then in Tab 166?
- A. This is a family therapy note where Ann and 23
- Travis discuss her brother, Steven's, withdrawal of
- consent to have Travis telephone him. 25

- Q. When you say Steven, are you talking about
- Steven Barry? 2
- A. Yes. 3

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- Q. And this would be in June of 2002? 4
- A. Yes. They're surprised at his sudden 5
- withdrawal and Ann reports that in the past Steven had 6
- expresses his desire to support Travis. 7
- Q. In 167 he just continued to be compliant with 8
- his meds? 9
- A. That's correct. 10
- Q. What about 169? 11
- A. This is again a family therapy note and this 12
- time Ann Mullis is discussing her anger with her 13
- brother for withdrawing the telephone consent. She 14
- feels confused and betrayed by her brother who had 15
- previously stated his intention to be supportive of 16
- Travis' recovery. 17

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- 18 Q. Again what uncle or what brother?
 - A. Steven Barry.
- 20 Q. Let's go to 176.
- A. Another family therapy note. This time Travis 21
 - expresses to Ann a desire to learn more about his
- biological family and obtaining some medical records in 23
- 24 regards to them. Only Ann's response is described as
- terse and without much of her standard warmth. She
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- would only agree to think about the request. 1
 - Q. Let's go to 180. What do we see there?
- A. This is an evening shift note where Travis' 3
- behavior is described as noticeably different. He's
- upset by a statement made by Dr. Kahn who stated that 5
- he wasn't sure that he was having real flashbacks. 6
- Q. When Dr. Kahn -- or when this notation is made, 7
- clearly what's Dr. Kahn's saying? Who is it that may 8
- not be having real flashbacks? 9
- A. Travis. 10
- Q. Did we try to find Dr. Kahn or did we not have 11
- enough information? 12
- A. We never had enough information. 13
- Q. What about 181? 14
- A. It states that Travis tells staff that he 15
- admits he's isolating in his room and he's feeling 16
- unsafe with his peers and he describes one of the peers 17
- put a plastic knife to his throat. 18
- Q. Let's look at 187 and 188 together and tell the 19
- jury what we find there. 20
- A. Again he's describing confusion over his 21
- sexuality because of the abuse that was perpetrated on 22
- him and the genders of his victims and that he's again 23
- feeling unsafe on the unit due to peers that are 24
- 25 behaving inappropriately.

Q. 189, what do we find in 189 that was

interesting to you? 2

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A. TJ is advanced to the silver level and is 3

- 4 reportedly doing well. Although he still is described
- as having some anxiety, his GAF or Global Assessment of 5
- Functioning has been raised from a 40 to a 55 and he
- seems to be progressing. 7
- Q. So, previously we had seen a GAF score of 40? 8
- A. Correct. 9
- Q. And this is sometime later and now it's raised 10
- 15 points to a 55? 11
- 12 A. Correct.
- Q. What's happening in 196? 13
- A. Travis received a letter from his biological --14
- I'm sorry -- from his adoptive father, Gary Mullis, and 15
- he becomes upset by this and rips up the letter and 16
- throws it in the trash can and spits on it. 17
- Q. Spits in the trash? 18
- A. Yes. 19
- 20 Q. What about Tab 200?
- A. Travis is discussing the letter from his father 21
- in individual therapy. He reports -- Travis reports 22
- that he feels like his father is trying to be 23
- manipulative when he makes affectionate statements and 24
- 25 that this, in turn, makes Travis feel guilty. Travis

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- admits feeling nothing for his father at times and then
- feeling extremely angry towards him at other times. 2
- 3 Q. What about Tab 208?
- A. In this evening shift note it reports that 4
- Travis hits the staff with a ball in rec on purpose but 5
- that he is able to discuss the incident and doesn't
- 7 lose that silver level he's earned because he's able to
- process it appropriately. 8
- Q. What happens in Tab 213? 9
- A. Travis is upset and agitated that he has caused 10
- problems between his mother and her boyfriend even 11
- though the mother's boyfriend was going through a 12
- personal crisis at the time. Travis admitted that his 13
- mother's relationships were her responsibility and it 14
- was not his job to make sure it was healthy and that 15
- both of the adults were being respectful to one 16
- another. He admitted that it was like his parents' 17
- 18 relationship and that he felt he caused their divorce
- because his father abused him. 19
- Q. Tab 216. 20
- A. This is a note from the psychiatrist reporting 21
- that Travis is doing well in school. He's doing his 22
- homework, that his interaction with peers remains up 23
- and down and he is trying hard to work on his behavior.
- He's continuing to talk to staff and not shut down.

His depression is better, he's working on goals, has

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2 made the silver level, is not complaining of flashbacks

and is showing improvement in oppositional defiant 3

behaviors and he's approved for a therapeutic overnight 4

- pass with his family." 5
- Q. Are you seeing some cycling in and out where 6

he's okay at one time? What are you seeing?

8 A. Travis appears to be successful in the program

and then alternates that with periods where he's 9

decompensating, not participating as well and having 10

11 difficulties.

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Q. So, let's go to January 13, 2003 in Tab 218. 12

A. This is a family therapy note and after a

weekend pass Travis comes back and states that he was 14

15 upset after a weekend ice skating activity. Travis

stated when the rink became crowded with young 16

children, he became uncomfortable and asked his mentor 17

to take him home. Instead of agreeing, his mentor said 18

he was, quote, "going to have to deal with it." 19

Eventually the mentor did agree to return him home. 20

Q. Do we know who the mentor was? 21

A. William Kelly. 22

Q. Then in Tab 219. 23

A. The psychiatrist reports that Travis is 24

continuing to make improvement and his grades in school

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are improving, he's a positive role model for his peers 1

> 2 and that he's complying with his medication. He is

> verbalizing his feelings well and seems to be more 3

involved in his treatment. He needs to get more 4

positive as far as his self-esteem goes. 5

Q. Tab 225 takes us to February 12th, 2003. 6

What's happened there?

A. The psychiatrist reports that he's been doing 8

very well in school. Travis has made the honor roll, 9

he's working on issues and is making good progress. He 10

remains compliant with meds and expressed no suicidal 11

or homicidal ideation. 12

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Q. Now, give us an idea of what happens now in 226

which is a period around February 24th, 2003? 14 A. Travis again begins acting out and having some 15

problems on the unit and because of that he receives 16

consequences. In further discussing that behavior he 17

says that he's upset over teachers and staff who are 18

leaving the program for other jobs and this has caused 19

him to have feelings which have caused him to act out. 20

Q. 227. What is happening in 227?

A. During family therapy Travis expresses

frustration over his mother's boyfriend acting as his 23

father. He shows disrespect and a bad attitude towards 24

his mom's boyfriend in therapy and ultimately walks 25

March 16, 2011 157 155 ideation which he has in the past when confronted with 1 out. Mom is oblivious to his actions and can't his behavior. understand why he leaves. She refuses to confront 2 Q. This is what time frame? Travis about his behavior despite prompting from the 3 A. This is in March of 2003, the end of March. 4 therapist. 4 Q. March 28th? Q. Now, before we go any further, what level is he 5 5 A. Yes. in the program as of this particular date, which is 6 March 10th, 2003? 7 Q. Then what do we find in Tab 234 that is complimentary about Travis Mullis? A. I believe he's still in the silver level. 8 R A. States that he's working on treatment Although he did receive consequences on the 24th, I q assignment almost every day, has been a positive roll don't believe he lost his level as a result of his 10 10 model for his peers, trying to help when they are behavior. 11 11 having difficulty and that he's sharing treatment work Q. Now take us to March 11th, 2003, in Tab 228. 12 12 with staff more often. 13 What happens there? 13 Q. And again would you characterize that as A. On the 11th his level is actually suspended. 14 14 positive or negative? He makes sexual remarks and gestures towards female 15 15 staff and his level is dropped. 16 That's a positive note. 16 Q. Go back to 233. How are his grades doing in Q. And then three days later on March 14th, 2003, 17 17 what's going on in Tab 229? Tab 233? 18 18 A. He's made the honor roll. A. The psychiatrist reports that he continues to 19 19 make progress slowly but steadily. He continues to do Q. Again? 20 A. Yes. well in school. His grades are improving. His move 21 21 Q. Are you seeing -- would you say that's a remains stable. His affect is brighter. He sometimes 22 22 positive action by him or -had difficulty expressing frustration appropriately. 23 A. Yes. 233 and 234 are both indicating he's He remains engaged in therapy. Mother is following 24 24 doing well in the program. 25 better limits and not allowing herself to be taken 25 158 156 Q. And that's on March 28th? advantage of. Travis is compliant with his meds. 1 1 THE COURT: We're going to take a break. 2 2 O. So, those are the things happening on March 3 (Recess taken) 3 28th of 2003. (Open court, Defendant present, Jury 4 4 A. Correct. 5 5 present) Q. Then on April the 9th, basically ten days later THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I'll 6 6 in Tab 235, what do we see? remind you that I'm not the only one that can call 7 7 A. This would be -- he becomes overwhelmed with timeout. If you need a break, give me the high sign R 8 emotion and runs from the therapy room sobbing when he and I'll give you one. There we go. 9 9 attempts to express to his mother how fearful he is of 10 Mr. Bourque, you may continue. 10 Michael hurting one or both of them. MR. BOURQUE: Thank you, Judge. 11 11 Q. (BY MR. BOURQUE) Before we push on to 230, Q. Now, who is Michael at this point? 12 12 A. At this point Michael is Ann's fiance. what was it about 183, Tab 183, that you wanted to talk 13 13 Q. Okay. So, it's who his mother's engaged to. 14 about? 14 A. Correct. A. 183 is the documentation that Travis tells the 15 15 Q. And that's -- even if you back up to Tab 232 group his restrictions have been lifted because the CPS 16 when we're talking about Michael's daughters, that's investigation yielded no results. 17 17 the Michael we're talking about? Q. All right. So, now let's move on to Tab 230 18 18 A. Yes. just briefly. What do we find in 230? 19 19 Q. So now that we know that, then tell the jury A. The evening staff document that Travis had 20 20 what's in Tab 232. shown marked improvement with not making inappropriate 21 21 A. In Tab 232 during a family therapy session jokes and comments. 22 22 Travis presents a list of requests to his mother and Q. All right. And in 233 what do we see about 23 23 including that he never be left alone with Michael's suicidal or homicidal? 24 24

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- has earned her trust back. Travis is pleasantly
- surprised when Ann agrees and they agree to continue 2
- communication in this manner.
- Q. And how is TJ handling his work program in Tab 4 237? 5
- A. He's working the program. The psychiatrist 6
- states that he's been having passes with his mother and 7
- utilizing them very well. Both in school and home 8
- behavior has stabilized considerably. He's handling 9
- the news of his therapist leaving fairly well and he's 10
- compliant with his meds. 11
- Q. Now, in Tab 233 on March 28th, 2003, we see 12 what in terms of suicidal ideations again? 13
- A. He's not expressing any suicidal or homicidal 14 ideations. 15
- Q. Now, go to April the 17th, 2003. In Tab 239 16 what are we seeing? 17
- A. Travis expresses suicidal thoughts to staff but 18 states that he won't act on them. 19
- Q. Basically that's two and a half weeks later? 20
- A. Correct. 21
- Q. So, what -- are we seeing positive action on 22
- March the 28th? 23
- A. Yes. 24
- Q. By Travis? 25

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- A. Yes. 1
- Q. Then by April the 17th what are we seeing? 2
- A. By April 17th after his therapist has moved to
- another unit he's expressing suicidal ideation again.
- Q. Four days, Tab 240, what are we seeing? 5
- A. Travis made suicidal gestures and noises, was 6
- involved in negative talk and when speaking with staff
- talked about hearing voices which told him to have
- consensual sex and then since that couldn't happen, he
- should kill himself. 10
- Q. And then as little as a week later in Tab 242, 11
- what are we seeing? 12
- A. Travis continues to shine and is making good 13
- progress. Showing insight in treatment. 14
- Q. Let's go to 245. What do we see in 245 on May 15 the 1st, 2003? 16
- A. Travis has one-on-one talk with staff and 17
- confides that he hears voices tell him to do sexual 18
- things like masturbate. He states he has discussed 19
- this with his therapist and is aware that these things 20
- are not good for his progress in the program. 21
- Q. Now, what's happening in May of 2003? Where 22
- are we in the program? Where is Travis in the program 23
- as of May of 2003? 24
 - A. He's approaching the end of his term there at

the Jefferson School. He's been having more and more

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- therapeutic passes approved with his family and is
- getting ultimately closer to discharge. 3
- Q. Okay. Ultimately closer to discharge from the Sheppard Pratt school?
 - A. Yes. Actually the Jefferson School.
- Q. Jefferson School. I'm sorry. Then in 246 what are we learning?
- A. In individual therapy Travis requested to meet 9 and discuss his last home visit. He reported that he 10
- and his mother discussed some of his triggers. He's 11
- not ready to discuss the voices he's hearing but states 12
- he understands there's a correlation between the voices 13
- and talking to his father again. He reports these are 14 the same voices he heard while he was offending.
- 15 Q. Now, in 248 we see he's tested for an STD?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Did we have records of that that we talked 18
- 19 about in these other exhibits?
 - A. No, I don't believe we did.
- Q. Can you tell in 248 or 249 whether he's working 21
- the program still? 22
 - A. In 248 the reason he's tested for the STD is
- that he had sexual contact with another peer in the 24
- unit. He allowed that peer to fondle him. So you 25

would have to say that that's not working the program.

- But then in 249 his psychiatrist responds that "He has done well and is concentrating well and is
- working on his treatment issues and remains compliant 4
- with meds. He did engage in inappropriate sexual 5
- contact with another resident but he was able to 6
- process it and was very forthcoming of his behavior." 7
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- Q. So, that would be May the 30th of 2003?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. Yet 22 days earlier on May -- on April the 10
- 28th, 2003 in Tab 242 they're making references to 11
- "he's shining"? 12
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Then what happens on June 4th, 2003, in the 14
- Jefferson School, Tab 250? 15
- A. In family therapy he is encouraged to write a 16 letter to his father in order to process the anger that
- 17 he feels toward him. Travis talked about his desire to
- be a nurse and he admits that he's happy his discharge 19
- has been postponed. 20
- Q. Further in 251 what do we learn about this 21 discharge being postponed? 22
- A. He admits to his individual therapist that he 23 sabotaged his discharge because he did not feel he was 24

ready. He also realized that he needed to become more

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- 1 aware of his feelings in situations -- more aware of
- his feelings in situations which may become a problem
- 3 for him.
- Q. So, what does that mean? If you put the June
- 4th together with June 13th, what are we learning here?
 A. Travis is saying he has more work to do before
- 7 he's ready to be living at home with his mother again.
 - Q. And that he's afraid to go home.
- 9 A. Yes.

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- \mathbf{Q}_{\bullet} . Then on July the 1st of 2003 in Tab 256 what do
- 11 we learn?
- A. Travis again was involved in sexual activity
 with another peer. The peer fondled Travis while he
 was in the dining room and Travis admits that this
- 15 behavior was to sabotage his discharge.
- Q. So, he's continuing on July the 1st what he's doing on June the 4th and the 13th? He's sabotaging
- 18 his release.
- A. It is possible because the milieu notes are not written every day, that this milieu note on July 1st refers to that same incident with the peer that was discussed earlier. But I can't be certain.
- Q. Okay. Then on July the 14th in Tab 258 -- and that's just two weeks after this July 1st tab of 256.
- 25 And what's happening on July the 14th?

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- A. It states that "He has done well all around.
- 2 His psychiatrist reports that he's completed discussing
- 3 his abuse but work was added to deal with some of the
- 4 emergent issues after the incident on the unit where he
- 5 was involved in inappropriate contact with another peer
- 6 a few weeks ago. Academically he's making good
- 7 progress."

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- Q. That's on the 14th of July?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Two days later on 259, Tab 259, what do we
- 11 learn?
- A. "In individual and family therapy as well as
- 13 during the evening shift Travis discussed his decision
- to leave a public swimming pool while on break, on
- 15 leave, due to becoming uncomfortable around females.
- 16 He discussed anger at learning his father wanted to
- 17 initiate regular contact. He expressed desire to see
- 18 his father but only during supervised visits and
- 19 expressed desire for father to register as a sex
- 20 offender. Travis processed fear over saying he wanted
- 21 to see his father would make his mother upset. He
- 22 stated he wanted to see father to ask questions that
- were never answered. Travis would only agree to see
- 24 father if supervised and wants to do it while in
- treatment so that the treatment team and peers can

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- 1 support him before and after the visit."
- Q. Then on July the 30th, 2003, what does Tab 262
- 3 say about his process in therapy?
- 4 A. "The psychiatrist reports that Travis is
- s engaged in his treatment and is able to process in
- 6 therapy. His mother remains very involved in his
- 7 treatment and attend individual treatment plan meetings
- 8 regularly."

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- Q. What's his mood?
- A. "His mood stable. His affect is brighter and he's cheerful."
 - Q. That's July 30th in Tab 262?
- 13 A. Correct.
 - Q. Then on the very same day in 263 after the psychiatrist makes the note that he is engaged in his
- 16 treatment and he is able to process in therapy, what's
- going on in Tab 263 on the very same day?
- A. "Travis is caught colluding with peers to watch an inappropriate video on the unit. Travis provided
- the computer to watch the video."
- Q. Tab 265. What happens when Mr. Mullis doesn't
- get his way in Tab 265?
 - A. "He has been refusing his meds. He becomes
- 24 argumentative and abusive."
 - Q. What's reported in 269?

- A. "Travis reports that he does not find young
- 2 children attractive. He's attracted to female peers
- 3 and is uncomfortable around younger females only
- 4 because his victims were younger females."
- **5** Q. Then this is late August, 2003; is that right?
 - A. That's correct.
- **Q.** When is it when he first goes to the Jefferson
- 8 School?
- 9 A. He goes to Sheppard Pratt in 2000 and then has
- 10 several admissions there and then goes into the
- 11 Jefferson School shortly -- or he goes into facilities
- 12 that are affiliated with the Jefferson School shortly
- 13 thereafter. From his first admission to Sheppard Pratt
- in 2000, he's home for less than a few weeks at a time,
 - I believe.
 - Q. Basically what we're learning is for about three years ---
- 18 A. Correct.
 - Q. It's a pretty intense program -- environment.
- 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. Then August 28th, 2003, in Tab 269, what do we
- 22 learn?
- A. He does not find young children attractive.
- 24 He's attracted to female peers and is uncomfortable
 - around younger females only because his victims were

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	1	younger females.	1	allergies.
	2	Q. You have not talked to Dr. Mendel, have you?	2	His Axis IV problems are related to
	3	A. Briefly, I have.	3	school, to social environment and interaction with the
	4	Q. All right. What are we seeing at 228? Whose	4	legal system/crime and educational problems. His
	5	notes are they and what are they based on, if you know?	5	current GAF at the time of discharge is a 55.
١	6	A. These are the notes from his individual	6	Q. This is on what day?
	7	therapist.	7	A. This is on 9/15/03, the same day a letter is
۱	8	Q. Do you know who that therapist was?	8	which is under Tab 276 a letter is received from the
	9	A. I would have to look at the actual note.	9	Maryland Health Partners which is the insurance company
	10	Q. And that's a finding that he's someone's	10	that states they've decided they will no longer pay for
	11	making a finding or someone's making a statement that	11	residential treatment.
ŀ	12	Travis Mullis does not find young children attractive?	12	Q. So, on September 15th, 2003, there's a letter
	13	A. That's correct.	13	saying we ain't paying for this anymore?
ł	14	Q. Then also in 269 what do we see?	14	A. That's correct.
	15	A. That he is attracted to female peers and is	15	Q. And what happens at that point?
İ	16	uncomfortable around young female peers because his	16	A. They send him home.
ı	17	victims were young females.	17	Q. Then there's Tab 277. Explain to the jury what
l	18	Q. Does that seem to be somewhat contradictory to	18	you find in 277 as he's being released.
	19	the first notes you just read that he does not find	19	A. That's the discharge summary and at that time
	20	young children attractive?	20	Travis fears expressing the depths of his depression
	21	A. That he's that his victims were young	21	and he doesn't want additional medications.
	22	females.	22	"He continues to work from the Pathways
1	23	Q. Uh-huh.	23	book and has expressed surprise that his mother
1	24	A. They're somewhat contradictory.	24	continues to support him despite his admissions. He
ŀ	25	Q. All right. Tab 273?	25	expresses a desire to meet with his father in therapy
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	1	A. His individual therapist reports that Travis	1	in the future. He requires continued individual family
	2	has come a long way in terms of working on treatment	2	and group therapy with medication follow-up. Provided
	3	issues but in some ways remains superficial. At this	3	these community services are in place, Travis should
	4	point in his life, it appears that he may lack the	4	experience minimal problems in the community."
	5	depth of expression required to more completely express	5	But there's no evidence that he receives
	6	his feelings.	6	any of that followup.
	7	Q. He's basically 17 at this point?	7	Q. Would it be fair to say that as Travis is being
١	8	A. Yes.	8	released he has some fears about
l	9	Q. What do we learn in 273 about their opinions as	9	A. Absolutely. In Tab 272 on the 8th of September
1	10	to whether or not he can transition into the community?	10	so that's before his discharge about a week: "Travis
1	11	A. They believe he should transition smoothly into the community.	11	tells the group that he's scared about his upcoming
ı	12	•	12	discharge because he feels safe at the Jefferson School
ı	13	Q. In Tab 275 what do we learn about September 15th, 2003.	13	and he admits that he's been pretending in front of his
1	14		14	peers not to be afraid."
L	15	A. September the 15th, 2003, he's discharged home to his mother's care. The Court has decided to let him	15	Q. Do you find it at least ironic that he's released the day his insurance terminates on him?
1	16	go home. His individual education plan was revised,	16	A. Absolutely.
1	17	sending him back to public school. Travis has done	17	MR. BOURQUE: Pass the witness.
1	18 19	well in the treatment. No suicidal or homicidal	18	THE COURT: Mr. McClellan.
		ideation is noted and his mood is stable and his affect	19	MR. MCCLELLAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
ı	20	is a lot brighter. He's sent home on Wellbutrin,	20	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	21 22	Depakote and Risperdal with diagnoses of Bipolar 1	21	May I proceed? THE COURT: You may.
	22 23	disorder, most recent episode mixed unspecified PTSD	23	CROSS-EXAMINATION
ļ	23 24	ADHD NOS. On Axis II the diagnosis has been deferred	24	BY MR. MCCLELLAN:
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Q. Ms. Vitale, I hate to go back to where we

and on Axis III his diagnoses are IBS and seasonal

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1	started at 9:00 o'clock but I want to ask you about	1	seem to spend a lot of time on her. Defendant's
2	some of the connections you made or maybe failed to	2	Exhibit No. 27, which I believe are the birth and ICU
3	make behind your testimony.	3	records concerning the birth of Travis Mullis and a
4	MR. MCCLELLAN: May I approach the	4	discharge summary, I assume, for Travis Mullis or Baby
5	witness, Your Honor?	5	Boy Wallace as referred here?
6	THE COURT: You may.	6	A. Correct.
7	Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Remember during the	7	Q. And there is that you've testified about on 27J
8	testimony what you identified and was admitted into	8	there is a
9	evidence as Defense Exhibit No. 28?	9	MR. MCCLELLAN: May I approach?
10	A. Yes.	10	THE COURT: You may.
11	Q. Which is basically an emergency services record	11	Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) a document titled
12	for Travis Mullis?	12	Teaching Criteria.
13	A. Yes.	13	A. You said that's 27J?
14	Q. Whenever he was born on September 20th of	14	Q. 27J. See that down at the bottom?
15	'86	15	A. Yes.
16	A. That's correct.	16	Q. Up here at the top, "Teaching Criteria"?
17	Q. And the date of this treatment was June of '87;	17	A. Yes.
18	so, he was about 8 months old?	18	Q. There are columns for Yes, No and DNA which, as
19	A. That sounds right.	19	we said, probably does not apply?
20	Q. And there's a note here that phone consent,	20	A. Yes.
21	which I assume is about consent from a parent	21	Q. And was it the impression you wanted to leave
22	received phone consent. And I guess the situation is	22	that where I guess "Demonstrates Diapering" says,
23	that the mother gave phone consent that they could	23	"Does not apply"?
24	treat her child who was 8 months of age.	24	A. That's how I read that.
25	A. That's my understanding.	25	Q. Right. And "Demonstrates taking infant's
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1	Q. Did you see some issue with the fact that,	1	temperature" says "Does not apply"?
2	well, the mother didn't even take time to go to the	2	A. Yes.
3	hospital with the kid?	3	Q. And "Demonstrates reading thermometer
4	A. To me that's concerning.	4	correctly" says "Does not apply"?
5	Q. Okay. Now, that was on June the 11th of 1987?	5	A. Yes.
6	A. Correct.	6	Q. And "Demonstrates how to feed infant bottle or
7	Q. Now, in State's Exhibit 26 the death	7	breast" says "Does not apply"?
8	certificate for Ms. Wallace was on July the 11th, 1987?	8	A. That's how that's marked.
9	A. Yes.	9	Q. You thought that was because she couldn't do
10	Q. About 30 days later?	10	that?
11	A. That's correct.	11	A. I don't know why it was marked "Does not
12	Q. So, 30 days after your concern that she didn't	12	apply." I don't know whether that means that nurse
13	take her child to the emergency room she died?	13	didn't see her do it or whether that skill doesn't
14	A. Yes.	14	apply to this infant. I don't know. We just don't
15	Q. Do you know what her condition was on the day	15	have that answer.
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17	that she did not go?	16	Q. So, why was it important to highlight it if you
		16	Q. So, why was it important to highlight it if you don't know what it meant?
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18 19	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family	17	don't know what it meant?
	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family members.	17 18	don't know what it meant? A. Well, I believe any person taking an infant
19	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family members. Q. So, all you have is what somebody else told	17 18 19	don't know what it meant? A. Well, I believe any person taking an infant home it's certainly applicable whether they know how to
19 20	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family members. Q. So, all you have is what somebody else told you, hearsay.	17 18 19 20	don't know what it meant? A. Well, I believe any person taking an infant home it's certainly applicable whether they know how to diaper an infant, take their temperature, read a
19 20 21	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family members. Q. So, all you have is what somebody else told you, hearsay. A. That's right. Q. And it still concerns you the fact she didn't take the child there when she died 30 days later?	17 18 19 20 21	don't know what it meant? A. Well, I believe any person taking an infant home it's certainly applicable whether they know how to diaper an infant, take their temperature, read a thermometer correctly and certainly in the case of Travis Mullis understand how to feed him because he had complicated feeding issues.
19 20 21 22	that she did not go? A. I only have what was reported to me by family members. Q. So, all you have is what somebody else told you, hearsay. A. That's right. Q. And it still concerns you the fact she didn't	17 18 19 20 21 22	don't know what it meant? A. Well, I believe any person taking an infant home it's certainly applicable whether they know how to diaper an infant, take their temperature, read a thermometer correctly and certainly in the case of Travis Mullis understand how to feed him because he had

177 175 and breasts, since he was being fed by a tube, maybe 1 Q. Jail records? that does not apply? A. Yes. 2 2 3 Perhaps that one doesn't. 3 Q. And the jail records, I believe you testified 4 Q. Okay. But you want to ascribe negative things that there is a -- State's Exhibit 32B out of 32? towards Ms. Wallace because somebody checked "Does not MR. BOURQUE: Is that Defendant's Exhibit 5 apply" and they could have checked "No," right? They 32B? 6 6 7 had the option of checking "No"? 7 Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) I apologize. Defense A. Yes. Exhibit 32B. 8 8 9 Q. But she can't do it. Wouldn't that be the A. Right. 9 column you would check if she doesn't demonstrate 10 10 Q. And it says "Travis Mullis, patient boy: diapering? That answer would be "No". Suicidal ideation on January 26th, 2010." 11 11 A. I can't answer that. I don't know exactly who 12 A. Yes. 12 filled this out or exactly what they mean so I can't Q. And that came out of 32? 13 13 answer whether they should have or could have. A. Yes. 14 Obviously they could have checked "No." 15 Q. Did you overlook this entry in the Correctional 15 Q. None of us are going to know that, are we? 16 Medical Services and Disciplinary Progress Notes on the 16 17 A. Not unless we can read that handwriting and get 27th of 2010 in the same records where it guotes Travis 17 in touch with that nurse. 18 Mullis as saying, "I was not --18 19 Q. But you want to imply to the jury a negative A. I believe it says, "I was just playing." 19 effect on Mrs. Wallace to say she didn't even know how 20 Q. "I was just playing." You read better than I 20 21 to diaper the kid, she didn't know how to take a do. Go ahead. 21 temperature or read a thermometer and she doesn't know 22 A. "I was just playing. I wasn't going to hurt 22 how to breast feed him -- even though he's not going to 23 myself." 23 be breast feeding? Q. Okay. Now, you thought the note saying "Voiced 24 24 A. What I'm suggesting is we don't know whether 25 suicidal ideation" was important? 25 176 178 she can or not. A. Yes. 1 1 Q. There's lots of things we don't know that you 2 Q. But not the highlight that I was just playing, 2 didn't highlight; is that correct? 3 "I wasn't planning on hurting myself." 4 A. I'm sorry? 4 A. That could be just as relevant. I think that's Q. There's lots of things in the records we don't 5 consistent with the ups and downs of Travis' --5 know but you don't highlight them throughout the entire 6 Q. We have -- so, would you like to make a 32C? 6 records. 7 7 A. You certainly could. I wouldn't object to R A. There's certainly a number of things that that. 8 aren't highlighted, absolutely. Q. Okay. I don't think you get to object. 9 9 10 Q. I mean, the record on her death doesn't show 10 A. (Laughter) Q. Now, Defendant's Exhibit No. 31 and out of this obviously on the record that she didn't take the child 11 11 which are Dr. Stephen Feldman's records, there is a 12 to the hospital but that is somewhat relevant, is it 12 not, that she died 30 days later? letter, 31B --13 13 A. I don't know if it's relevant or not. My A. Correct. 14 14 15 understanding is that her health was so poor during all 15 Q. -- of which from Ms. Jennings to Dr. Feldman in that time that it hadn't changed dramatically up until 16 16 May of 1994? the time of her death. Her health was as poor the day A. Yes. 17 17 she went home from the hospital as it was the day MR. MCCLELLAN: May I show this to the 18 18 19 before she died. 19 jury here? Q. Let me go where we can actually start talking 20 THE COURT: You may. 20 about Travis Mullis. 21 21 Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Again, you highlighted in 22 A. Okay. this letter Dr. Feldman from Susan Jennings? 22 Q. On State's Exhibit No. 32 -- these, I believe, 23 23 A. Sally Ann Jennings. are the jail -- is that what they are? Q. Okay. Whatever. I'm sorry. Mrs. Jennings. 24 24 A. Yes. Not whatever. 25 25

March 16, 2011 179 (Laughter) 1 2 Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) I didn't know how to pronounce her name and I wasn't about to try. Okay. be at age 17 1/2, he shows -- put it this way -- yeah, 3 17 1/2, grade 11. There's this chart. I know you're So, you highlighted things like "Travis in the last 4 year had been very confused, angry, depressed." I 5 won't read the rest of that. But this little section achievement. A. Yes. here didn't get highlighted. "When he's angry, he 7 R expresses his anger in statements involving knives or 8 cutting people up or killing them." 9 9 A. Yes. else --10 10 Q. That wasn't important? You highlighted the 11 A. Neither am I. 11 things you thought were important. 12 12 A. The information in this record that I felt was things I've flunked. 13 13 important was in relation to his feelings with his 14 14 father; so, I was highlighting specifically the 15 15 portions that dealt with his relationship with his average range? 16 16 father. 17 17 Q. Isn't it more important about what his 18 18 19

relationship might be with other people who might be 19 alive than it is with his father who now is deceased? 20 A. Well, no. When I was -- my point in reviewing 21 22 this record was to discuss his relationship with his father. That's the same reason I didn't highlight 23 24 Travis is a very bright and verbally advanced child.

pulling from this.

2 Q. Why?

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3 A. Because I was specifically focused on his

It just wasn't relevant to the information I was

relationship with his father within this record. 4 5

Q. The truth, in fact, Travis is a very bright and intelligent person, is he not?

A. The records seem to reflect that, yes. 7

Q. Right. So, he's not a special ed student. He 8

may have been --

A. He was a special education student throughout 10 11 school.

Q. I'm a 2.5 undergraduate GPA, kind of proud of 12

it, you know. But he's now -- the age where he is 13 today he is an intelligent person, no intellectual 14

problems as far as academics, et cetera, in that 15

regard? 16

A. I haven't assessed his current academic status; 17

so, I couldn't speak to that. I'm sure the 18

psychologists and psychiatrists that are going to 19

20 testify can.

Q. Have I put this all back together?

A. I believe so. 22

Q. Whoops? Is there a B? 23

A. There's a B, yeah. 24

Q. In fact, in the Harford County Public School 25

records there are records, are there not, concerning

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his educational level and even at that time which would

familiar with it, the Woodcock Johnson test of

O. And there's different scores for different

things. Math he's not very good at but everything

Q. Me either. I don't want to tell you the other

They fall in the average range, all of these -- most of the things other than math fall in the

A. From low average all the way up to superior.

Q. Right. Okay. 11 out of the 22 fall into the average range. Would that be correct?

A. I haven't counted. I'll take your word for it.

20 Q. Then they list here the grades that he has and 21 so he was functioning -- well, here's -- is part of the 22 problem Travis Mullis had academically is he didn't 23

care, he wasn't interested in a lot of the stuff they 24

25 were doing?

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A. I think that was definitely a problem.

2 Q. There's a strong history of him being truant

until he went to some place where he had to go to

school?

A. I believe especially after he was released from 5

Jefferson School, truancy was an issue for him.

Q. Right. In fact, one of the schools, they

kicked him out because he was truant? 8

A. He was suspended and placed in alternative 9

10 education, yeah. Q. If you don't apply yourself, if you don't study 11

and do your homework which he has a history of not 12 doing even at Sheppard Pratt, right? He didn't do a 13

lot of the homework stuff. There's a lot of stuff in 14

there about hasn't caught up with the deal. He 15

completed one deal that was supposed to take -- it took 16

him four months and it was a four hour --17

A. I don't remember it specifically but I 18 certainly take your word for it. 19

Q. All right. But his school performance is, 20 quite frankly, when we check it all out, it is more 21 than adequate? 22

A. His intellectual capacity is, absolutely. 23

Q. He does not have any organic brain defect, does

he? 25

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- A. There's a recommendation that an assessment for
- that be done. I don't recall ever seeing any results
- 3 of any assessment for that.
- 4 Q. Are you not familiar with the fact that there
- 5 may have been a test to determine whether or not
- 6 there's an organic brain injury to Mr. Mullis as he
- 7 sits here today?

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- 8 A. I don't recall seeing anything in the records
- 9 about him receiving --
- Q. I'm not talking about those records.
- 11 A. I'm sorry.
- Q. I'm not talking about -- I would assume, can we
- agree, if he had organic brain damage at any time, he
- 14 would have it now?
- 15 A. Yes, absolutely.
- Q. It doesn't repair.
- A. It doesn't go away, yes.
- Q. And there's no record anywhere, anyplace, any
- 19 time about having anything about organic brain damage,
- 20 any tests, any report, any doctor diagnosis or
- 21 anything?
- A. I don't know that an evaluation was ever done;
- so, no, it's not documented that he does but I don't
- 24 recall that it's documented that he doesn't.
- Q. You would consider him to be -- just to
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- summarize all the records. There's lots of records.
- A. Lots of records.
- Q. You would consider him to be intelligent.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Maybe a very poor effort, though, in academics
- 6 as far as the effort he put in?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. He's been consistently, when he's had the
- 9 opportunity to be, truant?
- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. Didn't always do his homework or gave a poor
- 12 effort at doing homework?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Basically he could be described as lazy.
- 15 A. Could be.
- Q. Never really had a job.
- A. Not to my knowledge.
- O. Kind of irresponsible in relationship to work
- behavior. Would that be a fair assessment?
- A. I haven't seen any employment records; so, I
- just don't know.
- Q. That kind of indicates there's not any
- 23 employment, right?
- A. And if there's no employment, I can't say
- whether he's responsible or irresponsible.

- Q. You spent a lot of time doing a social history
- 2 on Travis Mullis.
- 3 A. Yes.

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- Q. You're going to find everything there is out
- 5 there to find.
- 6 A. I'm going to certainly try.
 - Q. And you don't have any records -- I think he
- 8 was employed for a period of time.
- A. My understanding is that he was but I haven't
- 10 seen any records of that.
- Q. I think the testimony -- well, did you look?
- 12 Did you check with Walgreens?
 - A. I believe that was done by the mitigation
- specialist that was on the case before me and I don't
- 15 recall ever seeing any records in her file.
 - Q. That may be why you're here.
 - A. That may be.
- Q. There was testimony that you may not know about
- in the guilt/innocence stage of trial that may be -- I
- 20 guess it's the punishment stage of trial.
- A. I haven't seen any of the testimony.
 - Q. That he had a job at Walgreens and that he just
- 23 left a note saying: I'm out of here. Bye.
- A. Then, yes, that would be irresponsible.
 - Q. Basically he could be described as selfish?
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- 1 A. Probably.
 - Q. All about me?
 - A. Probably.
 - Q. Would it be fair to describe him, based upon
 - 5 the records and information you gathered, sexually
 - 6 obsessed?
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. Now, is it fair to report that his mother,
 - 9 meaning Ms. Mullis, Ann Mullis, was very supportive of
 - 10 Travis Mullis?
 - A. If you mean by attending therapy and
 - 12 participating in therapy, yes.
 - Q. And now, do you -- I don't know if you have a
 - 14 female or anything else but do you believe that if a
 - person has a child and that child is in need of help
 - that it's an easy decision to put them in a psychiatric
 - 17 type facility?
 - MR. BOURQUE: Objection. Calls for
 - speculation. She's not in a position to answer that.
 - MR. MCCLELLAN: Well, I'm just asking her
 - 21 if she believes it's an easy decision for a parent to
 - place their child into psychiatric therapy.
 - THE COURT: I'm going to sustain the
 - 24 objection.
 - MR. MCCLELLAN: Okay.

Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Now, she was supportive --

- 2 well, we know from the records, do we not, on the
- 3 Sheppard Pratt that there were reasons each time he was
- 4 checked into Sheppard Pratt?
- A. Absolutely.
- 6 Q. And the fact that he would verbally say, "I'm
- 7 going to kill myself" and the parent needs to respond
- s to that, do they not?
- 9 A. Yes.

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- Q. And, now, he had multiple admissions but, of
- 11 course, they only -- some of them only lasted a week.
- 12 A. That's correct.
- Q. I mean, as I understand it, he was in from
- 14 February the 14th, 2000 to February the 18th which is
- 15 probably a week.
- 16 A: Four days -- five days.
- Q. I see records from February 24th to February
- 18 28th of 2000.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. Another, I suggest, five-day period of time.
- 21 March the 2nd to March the 6th.
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And then March the 14th, which I don't know
- 24 when the date was he was discharged from that.
- A. I believe it was the 21st.

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- 1 Q. The 21st?
- A. I believe.
- Q. So, he would act out, he would do something, he
- 4 would go berserk, he would throw a temper tantrum or
- 5 whatever, he would say he's going to hurt himself or
- hurt others and they would take him and take him to
- 7 Sheppard Pratt and he would stay there for a few days.
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And they did that each time he acted out until
- 10 -- the reason he's at Sheppard Pratt beginning in 2000
- 11 for the extended stay to 2003 is because of the sexual
- assault that occurred on the 8-year-old girl and as a
- 13 juvenile the Court under juvenile delinquent
- 14 proceedings sent him there?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- Q. And he got out because he's getting ready to be
- 17 18.
- A. I believe it was a combination of his impending
- 19 birthday and the decision by the insurance not to pay
- 20 anymore.
- Q. Do you know whether or not Ms. Mullis made
- monetary payments to Sheppard Pratt over and above what
- 23 insurance paid?
- A. I don't know. I believe there were some
- 25 financial records in the 3,000-plus pages. I don't

recall specific amounts or dates.

Q. And we don't see any insurance records in

- 3 there, though, do we?
- A. There was some, obviously, because that's where
- 5 that letter came from. And I was under the impression
- 6 that was insurance.
- 7 Q. But, I mean, there's no records about, okay,
- 8 whatever the insurance company was, paid them "X"
- 9 number of dollars and it's like an account receivable
- 10 or --

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- A. No EOB's or anything like that, no.
- Q. Now, so, would you agree with me that Travis
- 13 Mullis -- Ann Mullis was supportive of Travis Mullis?
 - A. To an extent, yes.
- Q. And, of course, she found herself at one point
- in time being a single parent not by choice but by the
- 17 fact that the husband sexually assaulted Travis Mullis.
- A. I think it was probably choice and it was a
- 19 good choice.
- Q. Would you agree, then, also that the Defendant
- 21 can easily be documented as very manipulative?
- A. Yes, that word is used in the records, yes.
- Q. Well, even if it wasn't used in the records,
- you can see by the things he's done and describe that
- 25 terminology just by what he's done, right?

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- A. I believe it's used accurately in the record,
- 2 yes.
- 3 Q. Well, he manipulated the staff?
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- 5 Q. He manipulated his mother?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. He manipulated even fellow patients -- I don't
- s know what terminology you used.
- 9 A. Peers, yes.
- Q. And, quite frankly, he used others for his
- 11 pleasure.
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Both female victims, male victims, and his
- mother by manipulating her to bring all kinds of food
- and all kind of CDs and maybe it was her effort to make
- up for maybe something, but she provided him with
- 17 almost anything he wanted.
 - A. His mother did, yes.
- Q. Now, would you agree with me that the records
- 20 are replete with issues about he has an anger problem?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. He exhibits aggressive behavior?
- 23 A. Yes

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- Q. He not only has an anger problem that he acts
- out but he has an anger problem with emotions that come

March 16, 2011 193 191 Q. And here's the setting that they're looking at: in and he has thoughts that are anger even sometimes They're looking at Sheppard Pratt. They're looking at when he doesn't act on them. 2 A. Yes. 3 treatment for people who are sex offenders. They're 3 looking at persons who have been sent and declared O. Now, you mentioned, I guess, on Tab 30 in your 4 whatever report -- State's Exhibit -- I don't know what juvenile delinquent -- and maybe all of them have. I 5 5 don't know. Declared juvenile delinquent, sent there State's exhibit number it is. 6 THE COURT: Defense exhibit. 7 for sex offender treatment and for whatever other 7 MR. MCCLELLAN: Defendant's Exhibit. I treatment the Court thought necessary as a juvenile. 8 8 He is -- this is being reported in 2001. He's been apologize. 9 9 there about a year. They don't know necessarily how Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Tab 30 in the binder, you 10 10 made note that he feared being a victim. long he's going to be there but obviously he's not 11 11 going to be let go until the Court says he is, right? A. Correct. 12 12 A. Right. 13 Q. But really the reverse was the problem, was it 13 Q. And the fact that they either look at it -- you not, him victimizing others? 14 14 don't know if they had all the names of the people that A. I believe you had the record previously. 1 15 15 were involved. would have to familiarize myself again with it, that 16 16 A. No, I don't know anything about their whole note, in order to speak to it. 17 17 Q. Well, the 30 about him fearing being a victim investigation. 18 18 Q. Right. They'd have to go out and interview is already up there. 19 19 maybe the person who's the, quote, "victim" says "I'm A. It's in the binder. Let's see. 20 20 not interested in doing anything"? 21 Q. I'll get it for you. 21 22 That's certainly a possibility. A. Thank you. 22 Q. There's all kinds of situations that get MR. BOURQUE: Just for the record 23 23 reported to police or CPS or whatever. Not taking clarification, that's Exhibit 45A, Tab 30. 24 24 action doesn't mean it didn't happen. MR. MCCLELLAN: Thank you. 25 25 192 194 THE COURT: Correct. Defendant's 45A. A. Correct. 1 1 Q. And you're not trying to leave that impression 2 Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) The only question I had was 2 with this jury, are you? you made reference from that that he feared being a 3 3 4 A. No. victim. 4 Q. Because I noticed that Mr. Bourque asked that 5 5 A. Yes, right. -- wanted to go back to his Tab 183. Q. Okay. Are you familiar with reports in these 6 6 A. Correct. records where Travis disclosed that basically he had Q. Where the CPS investigation said there were no additional victims to report to them that he had made 8 8 results, they didn't take any action. victims up? 9 9 A. Correct. 10 A. Yes. This specific record talks about a 10 Q. And prior to that it had been reported because certain peer who he is fearful of victimizing. There 11 11 Sheppard Pratt, having knowledge now from Travis Mullis are other records where he talks about himself having 12 12 that he's reported having victimized people, are under victims. Those were unfounded by CPS. 13 13 a legal obligation, are they not, to report that to Q. Well, let's talk about that. 14 14 Child Protective Services, the police, whatever? 15 A. Okay. 15 A. And the licensing board, yes, they are. Q. Now, CPS, the fact they did not pursue charges 16 16 or reported to the police doesn't mean it's unfounded, Q. So, they fulfilled their function? 17 17 To my knowledge, yes. 18 does it? 18 Q. Then when CPS decides to prosecute or not by A. I know CPS here you can have reports or --19 19 talking to the people, what they decide doesn't have Q. I have a specific question. 20 20

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anything to do with whether it happened or not, does

object to calling for speculation of this witness.

THE COURT: Sustained

MR. BOURQUE: I object. It may not but I

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A. It is possible that they were not reported to

Q. Right. They're looking at it to see whether

the police but were not found to be untrue.

they're going to take some action.

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- Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) You cannot draw that 1
- conclusion, can you? Because CPS didn't go to the 2
- police to file additional charges, that does not mean,
- does it, that there were no -- that they were not 4
- justified charges? 5
- A. Correct.
- Q. Because, otherwise, I guess -- you had 7
- mentioned that the doctor thought, well, maybe some of
- these reports, the victims, may not be true.
- A. That was what the psychiatrist wrote in his 10 11 report, yes.
- Q. And you don't know whether, you know, we know 12
- what Travis Mullis maybe -- there's lots of things he 13 might have reported that are not true, right? 14
- A. I'm certain. 15
- Q. We can't pick and choose which ones are, can 16
- we? But in here in the report they document in 2001, 17
- March 1st of 2001, that Travis disclosed that he indeed 18
- had another victim that no one knew about. I can show 19
- 20 vou.
- A. That's correct. 21
- Q. And that he discussed in great detail his 22
- latest victim including her relation to him, previous 23
- suspicions about his offenses with her, his behaviors, 24
- 25 and why he had not disclosed his victim until now.

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- So, this is probably something he did 1
- outside of Sheppard Pratt. 2
- A. That's how I would read that note, yes. 3
- Q. Males are kept with males and females are kept 4
- in another area, I would some. 5
- A. I don't know. There are certainly hospitals
- where males and females interact. In a sexual offender
- treatment program, it would likely be different. I 8
- just couldn't say because I'm not familiar with their
- 10 program.
- Q. In fact, this may refer to where he's alleging 11
- that -- he's admitting that he had sexual relations 12
- with Stephanie who is the other older sister of Susan 13
- Barry? 14
- A. That's what I believe that to be in reference 15
- 16 to.
- Q. But then further he basically made a disclosure 17
- of four additional -- or three additional people who he 18
- had -- men or boys who he had encountered at another 19
- facility who are now in this facility where he's in, 20
- right? 21
- A. Yes. 22
- Q. And he disclosed that, in fact, up to and 23
- including disclosing that in July of 2003 within two 24
- months of being released that he was involved in sexual

- activity with another peer on the house.
- A. Yes. 2
- Q. So, there are -- in fact, there's not any 3
- record of him being a victim, is there, while in this
- treatment facility but of him victimizing others? 5
- A. That's correct. 6
 - Q. There's a fear of being a victim but never it
- 8 was --

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- A. Yes. q
- Q. You agree that the records show that he makes 10
- poor choices? 11
- A. Yes. 12
- Q. Do you agree that the records indicate that he 13
 - really doesn't love anyone?
- A. I think he's extremely conflicted about what 15
- 16 his emotions are.
- Q. Would you agree that he reacts 17
- disproportionately to threats that, whether real or 18
- perceived, his reactions to what he perceives to be 19
- threats or what actually may be threats is 20
- disproportionate, more severe than what the threat may 21
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- A. I think his reactions also vary fairly
- dramatically from situation to situation and perhaps 24
- unpredictable. 25

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- O. Would you agree that the records indicate he
- lacks moral development? He's not developed a moral 2
- system? 3
- A. I don't know if they reflect that he hadn't 4
- developed a moral system. 5
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, you wouldn't call immoral being a
- moral system, though, would you? I mean, if I acted
- immorally, that wouldn't be my moral system. That 8
- would be different. 9
- A. I don't know that the records reflect that he 10
- only acts immorally, either. 11
- Q. He has continual verbal threats and verbal 12
- abuse. In other words, he -- the records show, do they 13
- not, that he engaged in taunting other peers? 14
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 - A. Yes.
- Q. Just like some of the peers engaged in taunting 16
- him? 17

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- A. Yes.
- Q. And that he would threaten verbally to hurt 19
- himself, to hurt others, to "if I see my dad, I'll kill 20
- him," to all kinds of verbal type threats? 21
- A. Yes. 22
- Q. Will you agree that he has recurring 23
- difficulties with the law? 24
 - A. Yes.

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Q. Would you agree that he's a persistent liar?

A. Yes.

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Q. Would you agree that he lacks remorse?

4 A. No, I don't know that I would.

5 Q. So, whenever he says, I won't -- "I've learned

6 from this" and "I won't do this" and "I'm sorry I did

7 this" and then he goes right back out and does it

8 again, you think that remorse that he verbalizes using

9 the word might be, in fact, real?

10 A. I think it's certainly possible.

Q. Would you agree that he's deceitful?

A. Yes.

Q. That he cons others?

14 A. Yes.

O. In fact, there's some note in here in the

16 records where he tells them, "I've conned y'all on so

many things you wouldn't even know how many there are"?

18 A. Yes.

Q. Would you agree that he rationalizes his

20 conduct? Conduct that's inappropriate, he tries to

21 rationalize that conduct?

A. I don't know if he tries to rationalize it or

23 if he doesn't understand what appropriate conduct is.

Q. Okay. Now, when he talked about relating that

25 he was involved sexually with Stephanie, the older --

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other than until we hear this, we had never heard

2 anything about that, okay?

3 A. Okay.

4 Q. He basically says it was her idea and she asked

for it and they had a code and they speak code words so

6 the parents wouldn't know what was going on and do

7 those kind of things?

8 A. That was the report, yes.

Q. And would you agree that he also blames others

10 for why he acted as he did?

11 A. Yes.

Q. And is there demonstrated in the record a

pattern of a lack of concern for the feelings of

14 others?

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A. No, I don't think there is.

Q. Okay. Well, doesn't he basically say: I don't

17 care what anybody thinks; I don't care what anybody

18 thinks I should or shouldn't do; I'm going to do this

19 anyway.

A. Yes. And he also expresses remorse and

21 feelings of regret at some of his more negative

22 behaviors.

Q. And those are usually ones that he's caught

24 doing?

A. Yes. I don't think he's talking to the staff

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about things he hasn't been caught doing except for the

2 abuse of Stephanie.

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Q. Would you agree he basically has shown a total

4 disregard for rules and responsibilities while he's at

5 Sheppard Pratt and other places?

A. I would disagree. He works his way -- he

7 certainly doesn't follow every rule every day but he

8 works his way up the level system to silver level and !

9 believe he was nominated for some position by peers.

so, I think he is able to follow rules and work within

11 -- I believe it mentioned in the records a very

12 structured system. I think he can follow those rules

13 and be successful and has.

Q. When he wants to?

A. He has to put some effort forth, certainly.

Q. Well, he sure didn't follow the rules of

17 school. He's supposed to come to school?

A. He did not follow that rule, no.

Q. I'm supposed to do my homework. I won't do it.

A. He did not.

Q. I'm supposed to complete this one part of their

pathway to recovery, whatever it's called, a book, and

23 it's supposed to be in a one-hour session and it would

take him four months to do it. And it's not because it

24 take filli four months to do it. And it's not because it

25 took him -- you get the impression it wasn't because he

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spent four months working on it. He just didn't do it

2 until he got ready to.

A. Yeah, that's exactly the impression I have.

Q. He uses others to get what he wants?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Do you recall that in the family therapy

7 session back on June the 5th, 2001, there's a notation

8 that he said he had no memories of early life?

A. June 5th of 2001.

10 Q. Right. I don't know if that's one of your --

A. It's not one that I believe I have here.

Q. Yeah, it's probably not one that you picked

out. I don't know that I have that or not. But do you

14 recall that he said he has no memories of his early

15 life?

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A. I do know he said that, yes.

Q. But then at a later time he gives -- he says he

18 has a vivid memory of performing fellatio on his dad at

19 the age of 3?

A. He describes it, I think, as a flashback to

that.

Q. Let's talk about flashback. Well, so, he can

23 -- he recalls what he was doing or was happening to him

24 at age 3?

A. In the flashback.

Q. Well, just in any memory.

A. He certainly describes difficulty with early

memories. I have no argument with that. 3

Q. I don't know that anybody can remember what

happened at age 3. 5

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Now, the flashbacks, there are two kinds

of flashbacks, are there not? I mean there's

flashbacks where he's talking about flashbacks about my 8

interaction with my dad, fellatio, him performing on 9

me, me performing on him. Everybody says 3 to 6, 3 to 10

6. So, that's kind -- it was the adoptive time. So, 11

there's flashbacks about that? 12

A. Yes. 13

O. But he also talks about flashbacks about when 14

he was victimizing others? 15

16 A. Yes.

Q. Flashbacks with Susan Barry? 17

A. Yes. 18

O. Flashbacks with other people in the Sheppard 19

Pratt community who he had victimized? 20

A. I don't remember there being any flashbacks to 21

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Q. But flashbacks don't always mean in his 23

terminology that it's a flashback about what my father

did to me. It may be a flashback about what I did to 25

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someone else.

A. Yes, absolutely.

MR. MCCLELLAN: Could I have just a

moment, Your Honor?

THE COURT: You may.

Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) There's a notation on a 6

psychological group note back in April of 2001. Do you

recall this where the peers provided feedback -- this 8

may be one of the ones y'all picked out -- that "Travis 9

Mullis consistently presents with high risk behavior, 10

lies to staff and peers and puts forth an attitude of 11

'I don't care'"? 12

A. Yes, I do remember reading that.

Q. That during a family therapy session back in 14

April of 2002 that the session focused on a recent 15

disclosure made by Travis regarding three additional 16

victims offended when he was placed in Stone Bridge 17

that as an exploration of Ann's reaction began, Travis 18

became extremely verbally abusive, stormed out of the 19

session stating that Ann could fuck it and just never 20

come back and refused to re-engage in the session. Do 21

22 you recall that?

A. Yes. 23

> O. Remember a situation wherein, again, family therapy, April 26th, 2001, where Travis was disclosing

to his mother that he's unsure of her affection and is

afraid she might leave him and she told him that she

had been through the worst and that she's still there

and still loves him and regardless of what he did, she

would be there for him.

Do you remember that?

A. Yes.

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O. Part of the therapy was Travis was supposed to

-- whenever he kept reporting flashbacks to the staff,

10 they said, okay, let's give you a journal and have you

write down what the flashbacks are, what's happening, 11 what are you doing when it happened to kind of journal 12

what's going on so they could better address the 13

flashbacks and what may be the trigger, et cetera, that 14

kind of stuff? 15

A. That's correct.

O. Remember that? 17

A. Yes. 18

Q. And Travis never did that journal, did he?

A. I don't recall. 20

O. Isn't there a note in there someplace -- and 21

don't ask me to find it -- that he did not prepare that 22

23 iournal?

A. If you say so. I don't specifically remember 24

seeing any notes about any entries; so, that's 25

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certainly possible. 1

Q. There's a note in 2002 about Travis stated that

there was two of the three additional victims are in

attendance at the Jefferson School in some program 4

reportedly in the Howell House and the other one's 5

enrolled in the day school. Travis stated he 6

victimized the three males while he was in the Stone 7

Bridge respite program and while all three of the boys 8

were his roommates. And he related that he began

grooming each of these victims by being nice to them 10

and allowing them to play with his toys, repeatedly 11

asking them to play sexual games. Then he reported 12

that he performed fellatio on all the boys on 13

approximately eight or nine occasions. Do you recall 14

that entry?

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A. Yes, I actually believe that's in our binder.

Q. Do you recall him being upset when he found out 17

information or believed that Dr. Kahn, K-a-h-n, who had 18

been one of the doctors treating him -- is that right? 19

A. Yes.

Q. He expressed that Travis' report of flashbacks

were manufactured and Travis agreed to speak with 22

Dr. Kahn about the comments in his struggle to maintain 23

a positive outlook considering his belief and 24

experiences of the flashbacks.

March 16, 2011 209 207 of Travis Mullis? So, he was upset that Dr. Kahn believed 1 A. Yes. that the flashbacks were manufactured. 2 2 Q. In fact, the exhibits, those seven binders 3 3 A. Yes. basically document the efforts made by Sheppard Pratt. Q. And back in October, 2002, he was upset during, 4 4 And would you agree that Sheppard Pratt is a I guess, some crisis on the unit and asked to be 5 5 respectable institution for doing the type of work that removed from the situation. He was taken into the 6 they purport to do? 7 hall. He told staff that he felt like breaking his 7 A. My understanding is they're well respected, peers' necks but he was able to process and go to bed 8 8 9 yes. directly after this. Remember that? 9 Q. Spent three years working with Travis Mullis 10 A. Yes. 10 over all of this period of time and did their best Q. Do you remember him back in April of 2003 just 1.1 11 about six -- less than six, five months before being he efforts to try to change his thought processes and the 12 12 way he reacts to certain things. was released or discharged from Sheppard Pratt that he 13 MR. LOPER: Judge, I object to that as a was so upset about, I guess the fiance, the boyfriend 14 14 multifarious question and also is calling for a of Ann Mullis, that he began drawing destructive 15 15 pictures in art class and he was very afraid that his conjecture from her. 16 THE COURT: Can you restate? mother would break up with her boyfriend. If this 17 17 MR. MCCLELLAN: Yes. happened he would shoot her boyfriend. Remember that 18 18 Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Those seven volumes 19 entry? 19 document the efforts of Sheppard Pratt to treat Travis A. Yes. 20 20 Mullis for the problems that he had. Q. I think you've already may have referenced this 21 21 where he reported that he knows -- this is May of 2003, A. To treat him in sex offender treatment, yes. 22 22 Q. Right. Okay. Well, and he had group therapy about four months before release of being discharged --23 through Sheppard Pratt? Travis reported again he knows he will never offend 24 24 again. The reasons he gave are that he does not want A. Yes. 25 210 Q. Individual therapy? to be sent back into placement or go to prison; is that 1 A. Yes. 2 2 right? Q. I don't even know what this is. What's milieu 3 A. Yes. 3 MR. MCCLELLAN: Could I have a moment, therapy? 4 4 I don't know that it's milieu therapy. 5 Your Honor? 5 Typically a milieu note is just a note as to how he's 6 THE COURT: You may. 6 doing on the unit daily. The unit itself and the day Q. (BY MR. MCCLELLAN) Now, not only was Ms. 7 7 to day goings on is generally referred to as the milieu Mullis active at Sheppard Pratt in coming, I guess, 8 8 in a residential treatment setting. weekly to the family therapy sessions -- she was that, 9 9 Q. Okay. Family therapy? 10 10 right? A. Yes. 11 A. Yes. 11 Q. Sex offender therapy? Q. Also there were a large number of times he 12 12 would get weekend passes to go out over a weekend with A. Yes. 13 13 Q. It's already been mentioned the horse riding or 14 his mother? 14 dealing with horses therapy? A. Yes. 15 15 Q. He would leave on Friday, come back on a A. Yes. 16 16 Q. All for a three-year period of time they went Sunday, I guess. I don't know. But he would have 17 17 through all of this. weekend passes. 18 18 Now, did you talk to -- as part of your 19 A. He did. 19 preparation I think you testified -- correct me if I'm Q. Additionally he would even have weekday passes 20 20 wrong -- that you interviewed Travis Mullis for a where they may pick him up, go out to eat, see a movie 21 21 period of time prior to beginning all your --22 and come back that night, right? 22 A. Yes, I did. 23 A. I believe so. 23 Q. During the time that you interviewed Travis 24 Q. So, he -- Ann Mullis was very involved 24 Mullis, did you ask him about his actions and the throughout this entire three-year process, supportive

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        A. No. We didn't discuss the facts of this case.
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        Q. You just talked to him about family and
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     schooling and him but not about the crime that he's
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     been found guilty of?
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        A. Correct.
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                 MR. MCCLELLAN: I pass the witness, Your
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     Honor.
                 MR. BOURQUE: Judge, I'll have some
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     substantial redirect.
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                 THE COURT: All right. Ladies and
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     gentlemen, I have another commitment; so, we're going
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     to go ahead and break for the day. Please remember to
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     be under the instructions we've discussed. See you
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     tomorrow morning a little before 9:00. Thank you.
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